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Arab ministers blast Israel, U.S. on Golan

TUNIS, Feb. 13 (Agencies) — The Arab League foreign ministers' conference on the Israeli annexation of the Golan Heights ended here Saturday with a resolution condemning Israeli and the United States.

The final resolution was similar to the draft proposed by Syria, which called the meeting, but mentioned no definite sanctions against the U.S.

The draft resolution presented by Syrian Foreign Minister Abdul Halim Khaddam demanded an economic and financial boycott of the U.S. in retaliation for its support of Israel, and for "all necessary measures to be taken in every field to fight the Israeli annexation of the Golan Heights."

The much milder final resolution simply condemned "the continuing aggressions of the Israeli enemy against Arab countries," and U.S. backing of Israel. The Arab League ministers also decided to set up a special committee to study ways of dealing with America's policy vis-a-vis the Arab states.

The committee, which will include Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Iraq and the Palestine Liberation Organization, will present a report to the Arab summit scheduled to be held in Baghdad later this year.

The original proposition, as published in the independent Tunis daily newspaper *Assabah* and later confirmed by Arab sources, demanded that the United States end all aid to Israel. While awaiting a fundamental change in American policy, it sought an end to all Arab cooperation with American companies.

The proposal would have called for withdrawal of Arab deposits in American banks, an end to future Arab investment in American companies and a boycott on imports of American goods. There was no mention of an oil boycott, but the document asked Arab oil exporting countries to consider the greater interests of the Arab cause in making decisions on oil exports.

Sources attending the meeting said that

when Khaddam made his case to the meeting, he took up some of the points in the document, but not others.

The sources would not indicate what points the Syrians continued to push, but said the position in general was considerably softer than the original document. Damascus called for the emergency session immediately after Israel's Dec. 14 decision to annex Syrian Golan Heights, occupied during the 1967 Arab-Israeli war. The meeting was postponed four times, however, as the Arabs awaited the outcome of the U.N. debate on the subject.

A resolution calling for sanctions against Israel was vetoed by the United States in the Security Council. A special session of the General Assembly earlier this month, however, approved a resolution calling on members to cease all dealings with the Zionist state.

Arab sources said the Syrians obviously realized that they could never get a consensus on such a tough line against the United States and decided to soften their approach. Khaddam told the ministers that instead of seeking a specific resolution, Syria wanted to throw the whole subject open to discussion and come to some sort of consensus on unified action with regard to the Golan Heights.

After an opening speech by Chedli Klibi, secretary-general of the Arab League, the ministers met in closed session for less than an hour to hear Khaddam.

Klibi, in his speech to the ministers, said the annexation of the Golan Heights was just another in a long line of Israeli aggressions that have led even Israel's friends to condemn it. "The international community is unanimous in condemning Israeli policies and nearly unanimous in favor of sanctions," Klibi said, referring to the General Assembly resolution.

He criticized American policy that he said enabled it to condemn Israeli aggression and then persist in its systematic support of Israel.

On industrial cooperation Zia to open OIC talks

JEDDAH, Feb. 13 — President Zia ul-Haq of Pakistan opens in Islamabad Sunday a round table ministerial meeting on industrial cooperation sponsored by the Organization of the Islamic Conference. Industry ministers of 40 Islamic states will discuss policy guidelines at national and regional levels on matters relating to industrialization.

During the four-day meeting, the ministers will examine issues such as the conclusion of bilateral and multilateral agreements for industrial cooperation; the promotion of joint ventures; financial cooperation for industrial development; cooperation in technological development; the transfer of technology; and industrial training in Islamic countries.

The idea to hold the meeting was suggested at the Ninth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers held in Dakar, Senegal, in April 1978. It was there that Pakistan offered to host the meeting. The conference entrusted the OIC Secretariat to make necessary technical preparations for the meeting in collaboration with Pakistan, the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), the Industrial Development Center for the Arab States (IDCAS) and relevant members of the Islamic Conference. The Secretariat along with the renowned statistical and Economic and Social Research Center for Islamic countries in Ankara were also entrusted to prepare studies in the key areas of industrial cooperation.

A high-level inter-governmental expert group met in Jeddah last November to consider the implementation of a plan of action to strengthen economic cooperation among OIC members adopted by the Third Islamic Summit in Makkah/Taif in January 1981 recommended that the Islamabad conference discuss the compilation of foreign investment legislation in force in all OIC states.

During the meeting it was recommended that in Islamabad the ministers envisage the preparation of a catalogue on industrial products of the member states. Recommendations were made that they should debate the extension of preferential margins to contractors from Islamic countries participating in international bidding relating to industrial and construction projects in Islamic countries. The ministers were moreover called upon to examine the possibility of sharing technical know-how in the industrial sector among member states.

The committee of experts emphasized that the Jeddah-based Islamic Development Bank should act as a focal point for the promotion of joint projects among OIC members. Later, the 12th Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers held in Baghdad last June also designated the Islamic Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Commodity Exchange in Karachi to play such a role for the private sector.

A General Agreement for Economic, Technical and Commercial Cooperation among OIC Member States also became operative recently after its signing and ratification by a majority of members. The agreement binds the signatories to provide, where required, the necessary arrangements, guarantees and incentives to encourage the transfer of capital and investments among themselves, in conformity with the laws and regulations in force in each member state. Such an attitude would promote the socio-economic development of all Islamic countries and provide new avenues for the optimum use of the economic resources available within the Islamic world.

According to the agreement, the member states are to encourage joint projects which will achieve broad economic benefits and advantages.

Thousands of casualties claimed Syria retakes city after pitched battles

DAMASCUS, Feb. 13 (Agencies) — Syrian soldiers pitching grenades shot their way into the ancient winding alley ways Saturday to root out diehard anti-government Muslim Brotherhood men and end 12 days of insurrection in the northern city of Hama, government officials said.

There were indications from several Syrian officials that the Muslim Brotherhood rebels holed up in the old Hida section of the city would fight to the death and that Syrian soldiers were not offering the option of surrender. "The search is continuing and will continue until each hostile element is exterminated," said Information Minister Ahmad Sikandar Ahmad.

Well-placed government sources told that since the fighting started Feb. 2, the brotherhood suffered 2,000 wounded, compared to 400 wounded Syrian soldiers. There was no estimate of the number killed. Western diplomatic sources said the tally of wounded, even if computed in favor of the government, is high for such an operation.

The state news agency and several Syrian officials said the army by Friday night had retaken almost all of the city of 250,000 residents. But soldiers were fighting house to house and in some cases hand to hand against men hiding in Hama's 3,000-year-old, alley-laced Hida Quarter, said the officials who asked for anonymity.

Meanwhile, Syria published photographs Saturday of large quantities of weapons it said were seized in raids against the outlawed Muslim Brotherhood in Hama. They were shown on TV also.

The authorities said Friday that the arsenal, including 500 rifles, 40 grenade

launchers and mortars, was captured in the town and scores of arrests made. Hama, 200 kms north of Damascus, was still sealed off but the official media said roads to it would be reopened Sunday.

The authorities said the roads were cut to stop criminals escaping during the raids on the Brotherhood which is blamed for almost all the anti-government violence of recent years. Photographs of the arms cache were published prominently by the government press which continued its attacks on the United States which Syria accuses of supporting the Brotherhood. The attacks began after the U.S. State Department reported this week that there had been serious disturbances in Hama Syria denied the U.S. report.

The operations in Hama appear to have had little effect on daily life in Damascus. There was no sign of increased security precautions in the streets of the capital. But Damascus is normally very tightly policed because of the series of killings and bombings blamed on the Brotherhood. Government and military buildings are closely guarded.

The most recent major incident was the Azbakya bombing in Damascus last Nov. 29. A deadly hail of glass and debris cut through the crowded street when a car bomb exploded near a military recruitment center, badly damaging three buildings.

The government newspaper *Tishrin* said the United States had celebrated when the Muslim Brotherhood exploded the huge car bomb in Damascus. The United States "did not express the concern it is showing now when this gang was practicing all kinds of murder, assassinations and terrorism against innocent citizens," *Tishrin* claimed.

"For the political authorities to practise their right of pursuing those who hurled the bomb and thousands of other bombs...that is a source of American concern." The newspaper accused the United States of having links with the Muslim Brotherhood and of being concerned that the organization was being defeated.

"America's actual concern and tension are due to its definite knowledge that matters have been decided and that the organization which it has patronized, cared for and for which it has expended all its resources has started tottering," *Tishrin* alleged.

The siege clamped on Hama Feb. 2 was officially lifted Saturday. Information is expected imminently on permission for newsmen to travel to the troubled town. The disturbance is thought to be the most serious upheaval in Syria for several years. No casualty figures have been released, but both sides are thought to have suffered extremely heavy losses.

To subvert democratic bodies Plot foiled, Lisbon claims

LISBON, Feb. 13 (R) — Portugal's government said Saturday it had foiled a plot to subvert the country's democratic institutions in connection with Friday's Communist-organized general strike. Security forces found "concrete plans to subvert democratic institutions," when arresting a small group of armed men in Lisbon Friday night, according to a statement issued after a cabinet meeting that lasted until early Saturday.

The statement said police had seized recorded proclamations to the nation that were ready for broadcasting when a car packed with grenades, explosive materials, submachine-guns and radio equipment was discovered in the center of Lisbon. Three members of the group were arrested, but five others escaped.

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Haig-Weinberger conflict sharpens

By Nan B. Anthony Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 — The conflict between the U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig and the U.S. Secretary of Defense Casper Weinberger entered a different phase with possible unfavorable consequences to U.S. Middle East policy.

With Secretary Haig sounding off about the Soviets from a conference in Madrid and Secretary Weinberger announcing the results of U.S. — Saudi military talks from Riyadh, many Americans are once again asking "Who formulates U.S. foreign policy?" In particular, since both men visited the Middle East

and both announced arms agreements, the question arises "who is formulating Middle East policy — Haig or Weinberger?" The approach of each man concerning that area and how it figures into overall U.S. foreign policy goals is fundamentally different.

On the surface, it might seem that the two secretaries had successfully coordinated efforts to advance the administration's top foreign policy goal — to halt Soviet expansionism.

Washington observers of the past interactions of the two feel less positive. "This does not reflect a united effort between the men," stated one analyst who asked not to be identified. "There is a distinct and on-going competition. It would be nice to think that there was a division of labor on this trip. Weinberger has better relations with Saudi Arabia because of his past associations with the Kingdom and Haig has more European connections because of his NATO experience. Unfortunately, given the personalities of the two, no such cooperation exists. They are competitive," he observed. "This frequently puts their efforts at cross purposes."

For an administration which sought "to speak with one voice," the Reagan White House continues to experience its share of in-house conflicts. It is said that Weinberger believes that the U.S. should develop a more "even-handed" policy in the Middle East to better serve its national interests. He has been more public in his statements concerning this issue than Secretary Haig has been, although, in private, the two may agree on this matter.



Alexander Haig



Casper Weinberger

Voting bias bogs south, U.S. says

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (AP) — A 10-year report on the impact of the 1965 U.S. Voting Rights Act in the southern part of the United States concluded Friday that there has been significant progress in minority voting strength but that voting discrimination "remains widespread and persistent."

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French are watching Soviets in Red Sea

CAIRO, Feb. 13 (LOS) — Wreckage on a Djibouti mountainside, all that remains of a French military transport plane which crashed killing its five-man crew and 31 Foreign Legion paratroops, has reminded the region of France's often forgotten military presence along the Red Sea coast.

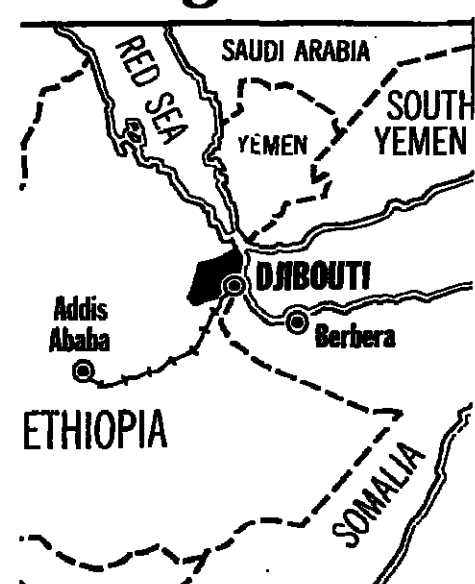
Djibouti, which is about the size of Wales and has a population of around 340,000, became an independent republic in June 1977 after being a French colony for 114 years. With the very willing cooperation of its new government, the French kept about 3,500 troops in their ex-colony, which is just across the narrow Bab el Mandab Straits from the People's Republic of South Yemen and its Russian naval bases.

Without this French garrison, the Soviet Navy, which has bases in Aden, the Yemeni island of Socatra, and newly built facilities on the sparsely populated Dahlak archipelago, could easily bottle up the Red Sea. The French, who also have some frigates in the area, fulfil here the same function as the Sultan of Oman, whose forces watch over the Straits of Hormuz, gateway to the Gulf.

According to the International Institute for Strategic Studies in London, France has about 18,000 troops abroad. The largest contingent — the majority foreign volunteers serving in the Legion — are in Djibouti. The rest are posted mainly to former African possessions: Senegal, Gabon, Ivory Coast, and the Central African Republic.

Like many other former French colonies, Djibouti has been reluctant to sever its colonial links too quickly. French remains the official language, and Djibouti's only diplomatic missions abroad are in Paris and across the straits in Aden. Elsewhere it is usually represented by the local French embassy. Quite apart from any sentimental ties, the former French territory of the Afars and Issas, as it was known, welcomes the continued French presence for hard economic reasons.

Two years ago an International Monetary Fund survey concluded that the salaries paid to French military and civilian personnel contributed about 40 percent of the total gross domestic product. France



also provides about 85 percent of the imports and is the main aid donor.

Djibouti's financial dependence of France was increased almost as soon as it gained its independence when its two neighbors on the Horn of Africa — Russian-backed Ethiopia and Somalia — went to war with each other over the Ogaden desert.

The country's greatest asset is the port of Djibouti itself and the railway line which connects it to Addis Ababa, the Ethiopian capital. In 1977 Djibouti handled 60 percent of Ethiopian exports and 40 percent of its imports. Its foreign exchange earnings were derived almost totally from port and railway fees and income from its mainly French expatriate community.

Then disaster struck. Somali guerrillas dynamited the railway. In response the Ethiopians and their Cuban allies secured a sage export route to the Eritrean port of Assab. Once the route was deemed militarily secure. They improved the quality of the road and bought a fleet of heavy trucks. When the railway line reopened a year later, Assab was functioning well and the volume of traffic with Djibouti was much lower than its pre-war level.

If this was not disaster enough, Djibouti also found itself looking after about 50,000 war refugees — more than 15 percent of its total population.

Despite all this, Djibouti has made GNP and liberal banking laws have made the Djibouti franc a hard convertible currency.

Ex-Abdul Sattar aides face probe

DACCA, Feb. 13 (AP) — The government has ordered an immediate probe into allegations of corruption, misuse of power and nepotism against some of the former ministers of the now-dissolved council of ministers, informed sources said Saturday. But the names of those to be investigated were not known.

The sources said the probe will be in addition to an inquiry already in progress into four members of the council of ministers. Former Deputy Prime Minister S.A. Bari, Ministers Obaidur Rahman and retired Lt. Col. Akbar Hussain, and former State Minister for Commerce Tanvir Ahmad Siddiqui, are the four already under investigations.

President Abdul Sattar Thursday fired his 42-member council of ministers on charges of corruption and inertia. Twelve hours after, he installed an 18-member council of ministers of whom 15 were carried over from the previous council.

The removal of the previous council was accelerated following the sensational arrest of an alleged killer from the residence of Youth Development Minister Abul Kashem.

Two weeks before his assassination, the late President Ziaur Rahman had started purging corrupt elements from the ruling Bangladesh Nationalist Party. He had prepared, before his death, a list of 400 persons belonging to the council of ministers, bureaucrats and partymen, charged with various counts of corruption, abuse of power and nepotism, informed sources said.

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Environment talks open

JEDDAH, Feb. 13 (SPA) — Deputy Makkah Governor Prince Saud ibn Abdul Mohsen opened Saturday the Jeddah annual conference for the conservation of marine environment and coastal areas in the Red Sea and Gulf of Aden. An agreement is expected to be signed Sunday.

Sheikh Rumaih Mansouri Al-Rumaih, director general of the Meteorology and Environmental Protection Administration (MEPA), commended in his opening address the efforts of the Red Sea and Gulf of Aden countries in regard to environment and marine life protection. He thanked Prince Saud ibn Abdul Mohsen for attending the conference and the Kingdom for the support it gives to meteorology and environmental protection, in addition to its assistance to the other states of the Red Sea.

Prince Saud praised the efforts of the Arab League Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (ALESCO) and MEPA for their assistance to the countries of the Red Sea. He welcomed the participants and wished them success.

The conference is attended by Saudi Arabia, Jordan, North Yemen, South Yemen, Somalia, Sudan and the Palestine Liberation Organization. The Kingdom had prepared a plan, submitted to last year's session, to monitor activities that can harm the Red Sea life, including deep-sea fishing and mining.

Experts from the member states had opened a two-day meeting last Saturday. A draft committee was formed comprising the Kingdom, Jordan, Sudan, Palestine, Somalia and North Yemen.

Last year's conference approved the final draft document on conservation of marine life and coastal areas in the region. Jeddah was chosen as the headquarters for the regional organization.

Dr. Abdullah Banaja, executive director of the Red Sea and Gulf of Aden environmental protection program, reviewed the activities of the organization and its protection to save the seas from pollution.

Other speakers included Dr. Said Ahmad Al-Haj of the Arab League Education, Scientific and Cultural Organization, and Muhammad Zuhdi Al-Nashashibi, the Palestinian delegate, who commented the Saudi Arabian government for supporting the conference.

Later on, the representatives of the states involved held a working session.

8,000 junk cars towed in 3 weeks

By Maher Abbas
Arab News Staff

JEDDAH, Feb. 13 — During the past three weeks, the clean-up department of Jeddah Municipality has lifted 8,000 junk cars from the streets of Jeddah, a municipal official said Saturday.

Wahib Attar, head of the central clean-up department, stated that a warning will be issued to car owners who leave their vehicle on the streets two weeks before their removal. He said that anyone wanting to get rid of his broken or wrecked car should only inform the municipality which will have it lifted after being informed. He warned the public against leaving their cars on the roads

Anti-malaria, bilharzia conference begins

JIZAN, Feb. 13 (SPA) — Health Minister Dr. Hussein Al-Jazaeri opened the ninth annual anti-malaria and anti-bilharzia conference here Saturday.

Speaking on the occasion, Jazaeri said his ministry has drafted a policy whose aim is to raise the level of health services and further develop all material, human and administrative potentials. He added that the health ministry has endorsed the role of decentralization in health services, by intensifying supervision on various health units as well as anti-malaria and anti-bilharzia campaigns.

The minister said the conference will not confine its activities to studying the preventive medicine plan and reports on preventive treatment and malaria combating activities.

for a long time, since some people park their cars anywhere for more than a month, which get disfigured by the dust.

Attar urged the public to park their vehicles at parking lots. He especially cautioned those who travel abroad and park their cars on the streets and stressed that junk cars become the shelter of stray dogs and cats. He added that junk car removal campaigns will continue, and the number plates of such cars will be handed over to traffic department.

The 32,000 cars, which have been removed from the streets and lanes during the past two years, will be collected at a specific place outside the city, then pressed and turned into steel, he said.

He hoped the conference would as well dwell on all problems and impediments and strive to find positive solutions to them. He stressed the need for reviewing the recommendations of the previous conference held here last year.

Jazaeri emphasized training at all levels and said it is necessary to be acquainted with the geography and health survey of different areas and also review the conventional ways of combating malaria and bilharzia in order to be able to benefit from the modern research conducted by the World Health Organization (WHO) and the Department of Preventive Medicine.

Concluding, the minister said the Southern Region now has five hospitals, 60 clinics, eight malaria combat units, 300 doctors and thrice the earlier number of female nurses. Two new hospitals are coming up in Samtah and Fursan, he added.

Dr. Hashim Al-Dabbagh, director general of preventive medicine, stressed the significance of the conference in drafting preven-

tive plans for malaria and bilharzia. He hoped that the conference would produce fruitful results.

The opening session was attended, among others, by Sheikh Ahmad Turki Al-Sudairi, acting governor of Jizan, regional health directors and a WHO representative.

Saudi personnel to train in China

TAIPEI, Feb. 13 (CNA) — A group of six Saudi Arabian personnel have arrived in Taipei to undergo training in the national standards of weight, measurement, quality control, and commodity inspection.

According to the Bureau of Commodity Inspection and Quarantine, the Saudi personnel will visit various government organs concerned to hear briefings and observe the procedures of inspection for two months.

BRIEFS

MAKKAH (SPA) — Muslim World League Secretary General Sheikh Muhammad Ali Al-Harakan received Saturday the president of the Indonesian Islamic Institution, Zeini Konil, and his delegation. During the meeting attended by MWL Assistant Secretary General Sheikh Muhammad Safwat Al-Saqa, Harakan discussed Islamic propagation in Indonesia. The Indonesian official also briefed Harakan on the activities of his institution in teaching Islam and its need for copies of the Holy Quran and other religious books.

BAHA (SPA) — A project to build the main mosque in Baha has been allocated SR15 million and a contract will be awarded to a national company for its implementation shortly. Ahmad Hamid Al-Qariri, Baha endowments director, said that work is under way on 11 other mosques in the region with three already completed.

UPM involved in computerizing Ahsa irrigation

AHSA, Feb. 13 (SPA) — The University of Petroleum and Minerals will introduce the computer system in the Ahsa irrigation and drainage project which is to be implemented in a period of 50 months at a cost of SR7 million.

Muhammad Abdullah Babtain, director general of Ahsa's irrigation and drainage project authority, said Saturday that the use of computer in the project is part of a plan to regulate water consumption in agriculture and to expand the area of cultivated land for higher yields.

The approval to use the computer system was given during a meeting of the authority's board of directors, held last week under the chairmanship of Dr. Abdul Rahman Al-Sheikh, minister of agriculture and water.

Bank grants SR12.9m loans

AHSA, Feb. 13 (SPA) — The Agricultural Bank's Eastern Province branch issued last month 167 loans to farmers and for poultry and animal husbandry projects, according to Ahmad Al-Hussein, the bank's Hail branch director, Saturday. The loans totaled SR12.9 million, he said. A poultry farm with an annual capacity of 576,000 chickens was financed by the bank at SR3 million he added.

Hussein said that SR2.3 million has been disbursed as assistance to farmers, poultry farm owners and dairy projects. The loans were used in financing agricultural machinery, water pumps, well digging equipment, fertilizers, goats, cattle, vehicles and spare parts.

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Dhuhr (Noon)	12:35	12:36	12:07	11:54	12:18	12:48
Asr (Afternoon)	3:52	3:51	3:22	3:07	3:32	3:59
Maghreb (Sunset)	6:19	6:17	5:48	5:32	5:57	6:24
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Aba Al-Khail says GCC states to become economic bloc in a year

PARIS, Feb. 13 (SPA) — Finance and National Economy Minister Sheikh Muhammad Aba Al-Khail reaffirmed here Saturday that the transformation of the Gulf Cooperation Council states into an economic bloc will become a reality within a year's time.

He said the GCC states are making rapid progress toward the achievement of this objective and that the council will lead to a reinforcement of coordination in the investment policies within the bloc as well as outside its domain.

In an interview with the Paris-based Lebanese magazine *Al-Mustaqbal* Aba Al-Khail said the GCC will enable member states to speak with one voice, giving them greater power in regard to international investments, movement of funds and the international monetary system in general. He added that the council would lead to common

Gulf investment policies, and the joint investment company, whose establishment is now under discussion, would not be the only investment company.

Referring to the Kingdom's relations with the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and other international monetary organizations, the minister said they have developed and become stronger as a result of weak monetary and economic situation in the world and the growth in the Kingdom's monetary resources.

This situation has made the international monetary organizations keen to seek Saudi Arabia's opinion and participation in their policies, he said, adding that the Kingdom's investment policy primarily aims at investment inside the country and it is striving to enhance the absorbing capacity of the country's economy internally.

Meanwhile, the first conference of interior



Sheikh Muhammad Aba Al-Khail ministers of Gulf Cooperation Council member countries will be held in Riyadh on Feb. 23, a council source said.

Bahrain had asked for its security agreement last December with Saudi Arabia, following the discovery of a plot of Iranian origin against Bahrain, to be the basis for a common accord between the council countries on actions against subversive attempts or interference in internal affairs, the source said.

The council's six member countries are Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, the United Arab Emirates, Qatar, Kuwait and Oman.

Oil recovery units ordered

SUNNYVALE, California, Feb. 13 — Two \$34,000 oil recovery units for use in the Red Sea for removing oil and debris from harbors have been ordered by Saudi Arabia. Lockheed will copper-plate the oil collecting drums of the two stainless steel clean sweep units, according to a statement by the company Saturday.

Engineers at Lockheed Missiles and Space Co. (LMSC) decided to copper-coat the two clean sweep units' crops vanes, discs and filtering screens because stainless steel provides good adhesion surface for barnacles and other biophilous creatures in tropical waters. Copper discourages such adherence.

The two units are the first destined for the Arabian Peninsula.

Clean sweep oil recovery units are operated by scores of public and private agencies in 20 countries to remove spilled oil, debris and flotsam in bays, lakes and open seas. Some are used in oil settling ponds. Five other units — stainless steel without copper

coating — have just been ordered for Peru at a cost of \$216,000.

John Frier, clean sweep sales manager in LMSC's ocean systems division, said some of the Peruvian units might be shipped over the Andes to work in oil production fields in the jungle at the head of the pipeline. Earlier this year, Peru received its first four clean sweep systems.

The two Saudi Arabian and five Peruvian clean sweep recovery units are paddlewheeling drum measures two feet in diameter and four feet axially and recover a barrel of oil a minute (42 gallons or 159 liters).

The drum consists of multiple discs to which oil adheres runs off. A wiper blade removes the oil which then is conveyed into a sump at one of the drum.

Centuries past, mariners used copper sheathing to prevent parasites from clinging to and boring through the underwater hulls of their wooden ships.

Pakistani claims making fire resistant tent

By Shamsuddin Ansari
Arab News Staff

JEDDAH, Feb. 13 — A Pakistani businessman has claimed to have successfully developed a fire resistant and non-flammable tent.

Abu Bakr Aziz Al-Muqri, who is managing director of Hamsafar Limited — manufacturers of fireproof tents in Karachi — told *Arab News* Saturday that the resistance to fire is achieved by dipping the tent into a chemical solution that took

him six years of concentrated research to develop.

Muqri, who is here to introduce and promote the tent, said it will be particularly useful during the pilgrimage season in Makkah, besides being of great value for camping expeditions. In addition to fireproof tents, he said, he can also make fireproof clothing and gloves which could be of immense utility to fire fighting brigades.

Muqri said his materials are guaranteed for a minimum period of three years, but

they can render more service if saved from the rain. Although the first rain will have little effect on the strength of his materials, but a proper safeguard from the rain could make them serviceable for a few more years, he said.

After conducting successful demonstrations in his own country, Muqri said he first wanted to come to Saudi Arabia where it is necessary to save the lives and belongings of millions of pilgrims who come from all over the world every year for a Pilgrimage to Makkah.

Fish freezers planned

RIYADH, Feb. 13 (SPA) — Minister of Agriculture and Water Dr. Abdul Rahman Al-Sheikh, who is also chairman of the board of directors of the Saudi Fisheries Company, Saturday signed a SR10.2 million contract for the construction of two cold storages for fish in Dammam and Jizan.

The company will preserve its products in the two cold storages each with a capacity of nearly 800 tons of fish. Work on the two freezers will be completed after nine months.

Science, technology show opens

RIYADH, Feb. 13 — A science and technology exhibition was opened here Saturday evening by the Riyadh Mayor Sheikh Abdullah Al-Nuaim at the Riyadh Intercontinental hotel. Highlighting the ceremonies were the introductory remarks by Governor John West, former U.S. ambassador to the Kingdom.

West said that Saudi Arabia has been a leader in the Arab world. Therefore it is the

ideal location for holding the technology exhibition, he added.

Thomas Tucker, General Electric executive manager in Saudi Arabia, said in his speech "it is our hope that the science and technology exhibition will demonstrate that General Electric is firmly committed to bringing to Saudi Arabia the latest and most advanced technology on services available."

After operation in Taipei Saudi lady regains eyesight

By a Staff Writer

TAIPEI, Feb. 13 — A Saudi Arabian woman who regained her eyesight after an operation by a Chinese doctor here in December is making quick recovery, according to the Central News Agency (CNA).

The lady, Safiah Muhammad, is taken care of by her husband, Muhammad Abdul Rahim, at the Veterans General Hospital in suburban Taipei. She had cataracts when she entered a hospital in Saudi Arabia last year.

She received an operation there from a local eye-doctor who was trained in Britain. Unfortunately, during the operation the eyeball moved and caused the operation to fail. Worse yet, her retina was pulled off and the wound becoming serious, the husband

said.

Abdul Rahim, being a trader, was usually on business trips in Europe, Asia and the United States. Under his friend's suggestion, he wrote a letter to Dr. Liu Jung-hung, vice chief of ophthalmology of the VGH, told him his sick wife's symptoms.

Liu had told Abdul Rahim frankly that because Safiah's problem went for a month untreated, there was possibly only a 10 percent chance for success in the operation.

However, he decisively suspended his business and brought his wife to the Republic of China.

Mrs. Abdul Rahim then received her second eye operation under the hand of Dr. Lin Hua-ming, chief of ophthalmology, and Dr. Liu last Dec. 24. After a three-hour precision microscopic operation, they successfully restored the internal part of the "bad" eyeball, and in the meantime removed the cataract from her other eye.

According to the doctor, Safiah's "bad" eyeball has now revived to half its normal power, and the "cataract" eye has fully regained its sight.

Dr. Liu ordered the woman to stay over the Chinese lunar New Year at the hospital before allowing her to leave for home.

"My feeling at regaining my eyesight is beyond description," Mrs. Abdul Rahim says.

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Turkey eases curbs on political debate

ANKARA, Feb. 13 (AP) — Turkey's ruling generals, relaxing curbs on public political debate, have granted most former politicians the right to express their views on a new constitution to be drafted by a 160-member consultative assembly.

But a communique issued Friday by the National Security Council withheld the right to speak on the constitution from leaders and the executive committee members of the disbanded political parties. As a result, two former prime ministers, Social Democrat Bulent Ecevit and conservative Suleyman Demirel, and their closest party associates, would have to keep silent on the nature of the new constitution.

The council, which comprises head of state Gen. Kenan Evren and four top generals,

announced that other former politicians would be able to air their views on the new constitution when invited to do so by the consultative assembly and without reference to their former party affiliations.

The generals also allowed academic debate on the constitution by members of universities and some other associations, subject to permission by the martial law commands. The communique did not clarify what kind of associations would be able to discuss the constitutional issues publicly.

A general ban was slapped last June on all political debate regarding the past, present and future of Turkey. It will remain in effect, with the exception of this limited discussion on the constitution, the communique said.

Palestinians urge U.S. probe into torture in Gaza, W. Bank

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (AP) — A pro-Palestinian group has urged the U.S. Congress to investigate human rights violations in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

James Zogby, chairman of the Palestine Human Rights Campaign, told a news conference Friday that "1981 has been a brutal year in the occupied territories." He issued a report asserting that the year had been marked by more than 40 cases of torture involving Arab prisoners, tighter curfews, arbitrary arrests, prison overcrowding, destruction of homes and other violations.

"The thrust of these violations is, in effect,

to depopulate the West Bank and the Gaza Strip" with the aim of opening up more areas for Israeli settlers, he said. Zogby was critical of the section on the occupied territories in the State Department's latest compilation of country reports on human rights, released earlier this week.

The U.S. findings "often understate the intensity or severity of Israeli violations, or present them in so ambiguous a manner as to obscure the seriousness of the human rights situation of the Palestinians living under Israeli military rule," he said.

Zogby called for an "independent congressional investigation" into the human rights situation in the occupied territories.

On Chad

OAU decision a defeat for Goukouni

NAIROBI, Feb. 13 (AP) — The Organization of African Unity made some decisions on the Western Sahara and Chad this week which gave King Hassan of Morocco an important victory and Chadian President Goukouni Oueddi a defeat.

The OAU decisions at separate meetings in Nairobi centered on negotiating peace in the Western Sahara and Chad, two of the major trouble spots of Africa. But African and Western diplomats said they don't foresee an end to fighting in either of the war-torn countries.

The OAU demanded that Goukouni negotiate with his arch-enemy former Defense Minister Hissene Habre, to end the lengthy civil war in Chad. But it decided Morocco did not have to negotiate directly on

the ceasefire and referendum in the Western Sahara with the Polisario Front which it refuses to recognize.

Goukouni, who has refused to negotiate with Habre, stormed out of an OAU meeting early Thursday after hearing that African leaders had agreed on a peace plan for Chad starting with a ceasefire.

The OAU warned Goukouni that it would withdraw its peacekeeping force if Chad rejected the peace plan. It calls for the adoption of a constitution in April, presidential elections in June and a final pullout of OAU troops by June 30.

The OAU sent peacekeeping troops into Chad last December after Goukouni requested Libyan troops which had been in the country for a year to leave.

Weinberger fails to woo Jordan into arms deal

AMMAN, Feb. 13 (Agencies) — United States Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger failed to win any Jordanian commitment to buy U.S. weapons, or an indication that Amman would stop buying Soviet arms, he admitted at the end of a 72-hour visit here.

Speaking to the press on his departure for Munich at the close of a three-day official visit, Weinberger said that Jordanian officials had made no request for weapons and said nothing that gave the impression they planned to switch arms suppliers.

However, Weinberger said that he had discussed Jordan's arms requirements during his visit. An American source close to the defense secretary said Friday that Washington hoped to become Jordan's main arms supplier, to strengthen what he termed 20 years of mutual confidence.

Weinberger was winding up a Middle East tour which also took him to Saudi Arabia and Oman.

The Reagan administration is ready to ask Congress to authorize the sale of U.S.-made Hawk mobile anti-aircraft missiles and F-16 fighters to Jordan, sources close to Weinberger said. Israel has opposed the proposed sales but there has been no reaction from Jordan. The Jordanian press has said little about either the arms proposals or the visit of Weinberger.

The U.S. government tried last November to discourage King Hussein from buying anti-aircraft missiles from the Soviet Union and proposed instead an advanced model of Hawk missiles Jordan already has. King Hussein has since said that he had already signed a contract for buying missiles from the Soviet Union. Observers noted it was unlikely that the king who is anxious to maintain good relations with the Soviet Union, would cancel this contract.

Meanwhile, in Tel Aviv, Israeli Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir said Friday that if the United States sold F-16 fighter aircraft and Hawk missiles to Jordan, it would amount to a direct threat to the security of Israel. The minister was reacting Friday in an interview with the Israeli army radio to statements attributed to a senior official traveling in the Middle East with U.S. Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger Wednesday. Shamir said he hoped the statements that the U.S. was considering such sales did not represent the policy of the U.S. administration.

"But if they do, then this weaponry would amount to a direct threat to Israel's security and would not only not contribute to peace in the region but would endanger peace," he said.

Visits Oman Tuesday

Mubarak urges birth rate cut

CAIRO, Feb. 13 (R) — President Hosni Mubarak said Saturday that if Egypt's population continued to grow at its present high rate, it could wreck the country's chances for economic recovery.

Mubarak, addressing a conference of experts convened to find a solution to Egypt's economic ills, urged that priority be given to the problem posed by a 1.3 million annual population growth rate. "The present rate of population increase obstructs economic development and shatters our hopes for securing a prosperous life for every Egyptian," he said.

Mubarak said Egypt's population, estimated last month at 44 million, would reach 70 million by the year 2000 and double in the following 25 years. This would cripple any effort to provide sufficient food, employment, health, education and other services for all Egyptians, the 53-year-old leader added.

Mubarak who assumed power after the assassination of President Anwar Sadat last October, has given top priority to working out a new five-year economic strategy aimed at boosting production and cutting back on

Egypt's big import bill.

The three-day conference of some 30 politicians and economic experts is likely to set the trends for the country's economy in the post-Sadat era. Its recommendations will be debated by the people's assembly (parliament) before the government financial program is drawn up for the 1982-1983 budget.

Meanwhile, the presidency announced Saturday President Mubarak will visit Oman Feb. 16 in his first trip to an Arab state since succeeding the late President Anwar Sadat.

The visit is viewed as the first concrete step by Mubarak to end Egypt's isolation in the Arab world brought about by Sadat's peace initiative with Israel. Sadat visited Egypt's neighbor Sudan last March in the first step in this direction.

The announcement, quoted by Cairo radio, did not specify the length of Mubarak's visit and this was taken as an indication it may be brief, perhaps one day. It said the visit was "in response to an invitation by Sultan Qaboos of Oman."

South Yemen alleges plot

ADEN, Feb. 13 (AP) — A group of terrorists sent by an unnamed foreign country to bomb economic and oil installations in South Yemen has been arrested by security forces, a government statement said Saturday.

The statement did not reveal the number or nationality of the alleged terrorists. But it said they will be tried soon on charges of infiltration across the border to try to sabotage economic installations, gasoline stations and oil reservoir and to carry out subversive activities in residential neighborhoods.

The statement said security forces of South Yemen made the arrests after a prolonged hunt for the suspects "who were masterminded by a foreign country well known for organizing training and using such gangs."

Former premier of Somalia freed

DIJIBOUTI, Feb. 13 (AFP) — Former Somali Prime Minister Muhammad Ibrahim Egal has been freed from jail in the wake of an army mutiny which broke out in his own northern region, sources said here Saturday.

Egal was freed Thursday or Friday as dissident sources in Nairobi said fighting between mutineers and forces loyal to the government was still going on in some military camps. His release was also thought to be connected with Somali President Muhammad Siad Barre's forthcoming visit to the United States.

Egal was first imprisoned a few days after the president came to power through a military coup in October 1969. He had served Siad Barre's predecessor Abdulrasid Ali Sharmarke as prime minister.

Released in 1976 to become Somalia's ambassador in New Delhi, Egal was thrown back into jail again after he received too warm a welcome from local people on a visit to his native province. The mutiny, which is reported to have resulted in 85 dead and 105 wounded, broke out after the alleged execution of 11 government officials, including some senior army officers, who were suspected of collaborating with a dissident group.

BRIEFS

BEIRUT, (AP) — A car bomb went off near the teeming Palestinian refugee camp of Ein el-Hilweh on the southern edge of the port city of Sidon Saturday, killing two persons and wounding several others, Lebanon's state radio reported.

CAIRO, (R) — Egyptian Defense Minister Abdul-Halim Abu Ghazala flies to Khartoum Sunday to brief Sudanese Head of State Jaafar Numeiri on the recent trip to Washington by Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, officials said.

VALETTA, (AFP) — Malta and Algeria called for direct talks between Morocco and the Polisario Front to solve the Western Sahara question in a joint communique issued after a two-day official visit to Malta by Algerian Premier Muhammad Ahmad Abdulghani.

Petty incidents worsen Greek-Turkish relations

ATHENS, Feb. 13 (AFP) — Acrimonious relations between official "allies" Greece and Turkey have taken a sudden turn for the worse, following a new series of petty incidents in the Aegean Sea.

On Wednesday the Greek government lodged a formal protest in Ankara over what it termed a "violation of Greek territorial waters" around the eastern island of Lesbos by a Turkish patrol boat. The protest coincided with one from Turkey the same day over Greek plans to drill for oil off the island of Thassos.

The next day, Turkish Prime Minister Admiral Bulent Ulusu told the *Tercuman* newspaper that it would be "absurd" for Greece to claim a 12-mile limit to its territorial waters in the Aegean. The two countries have used every possible excuse, oil rights, fishing rights, territorial limits, air corridors or definition of the continental shelf to feed their quarrel.

The Greek press has also done its bit, piling fuel on a fire which was doing quite nicely as it was.

If no fresh grievances are available, the emotional Cyprus issue gives newspapers a daily opportunity to air anti-Turkish sentiment. This chord is an easy one to play, as four centuries of Ottoman occupation and the bloody communal strife of 1922 have left their mark firmly on the average Greek.

At the top, Prime Minister Andreas

Papandreou recently aggravated relations, stating at a North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) meeting in Brussels that Athens was in the "strange position of being threatened by a fellow NATO member." He went as far as hoping to write some guarantee against a Turkish attack, but this drew no support. Papandreou calmly stated later that the threat to Greece came not from the north — the Communist Bloc — but from the East.

Turkey rejected such charges as rubbish, and retaliated with accusations that Greece was militarizing islands off the Turkish coast, thereby violating the Lausanne Treaty of 1923 and the Paris Treaty of 1946.

Turkey accused Greece of attempting to turn the Aegean into a Greek internal sea, and Ulusu told a Turkish newspaper recently that "dialogue is impossible in view of the Greek position." Observers here believe the two countries are miles from opening negotiations on their differences, and regular calls for talks from either side are seen as pure rhetoric.

However, actual armed conflict is seen as totally improbable here, with informed circles noting that the two allied enemies' NATO partners, and particularly the United States, would see to that.

But the quarrel, while only a war of words, is poisoning the atmosphere in southeast Europe at a time the West faces unusually strained relations with the East.

Iran leader holds talks in Berlin

BERLIN, Feb. 13 (Agencies) — East German leaders met Saturday with visiting Iranian Deputy Premier Abdollah Ali Djasebi to discuss expanding economic ties between the two countries, the East German news agency ADN said.

The talks were the third in a week that Djasebi was held with East Bloc leaders amid speculation that Iran seeks rapprochement with the Soviet Bloc. His previous talks were in Romania and Czechoslovakia, where Djasebi raised the possibility of Iran resuming work on an Iranian-Soviet-Czechoslovak natural gas pipeline agreed in 1976 and halted by the Iranians in 1979.

ADN said that Djasebi and his delegation discussed economic cooperation with polit-

buro member Guenter Mittag, said to be East Germany's top economic adviser, and other East German industrial and economic officials. Both sides agreed cooperation should be expanded, ADN said.

Meanwhile, on the battle front, Iraqi forces were repulsed in a new offensive Friday aimed at crossing the Naysan River south of the border town of Bostan in Iran's oil province Khuzestan, the Iranian Armed Forces announced.

Their communique number 788 said the Iranians also repulsed an Iraqi attack at Chazabagau Pass northwest of Bostan, where fighting has been mainly concentrated since Feb. 6. Some 230 Iraqis were killed or wounded Thursday on that front, the communique said.

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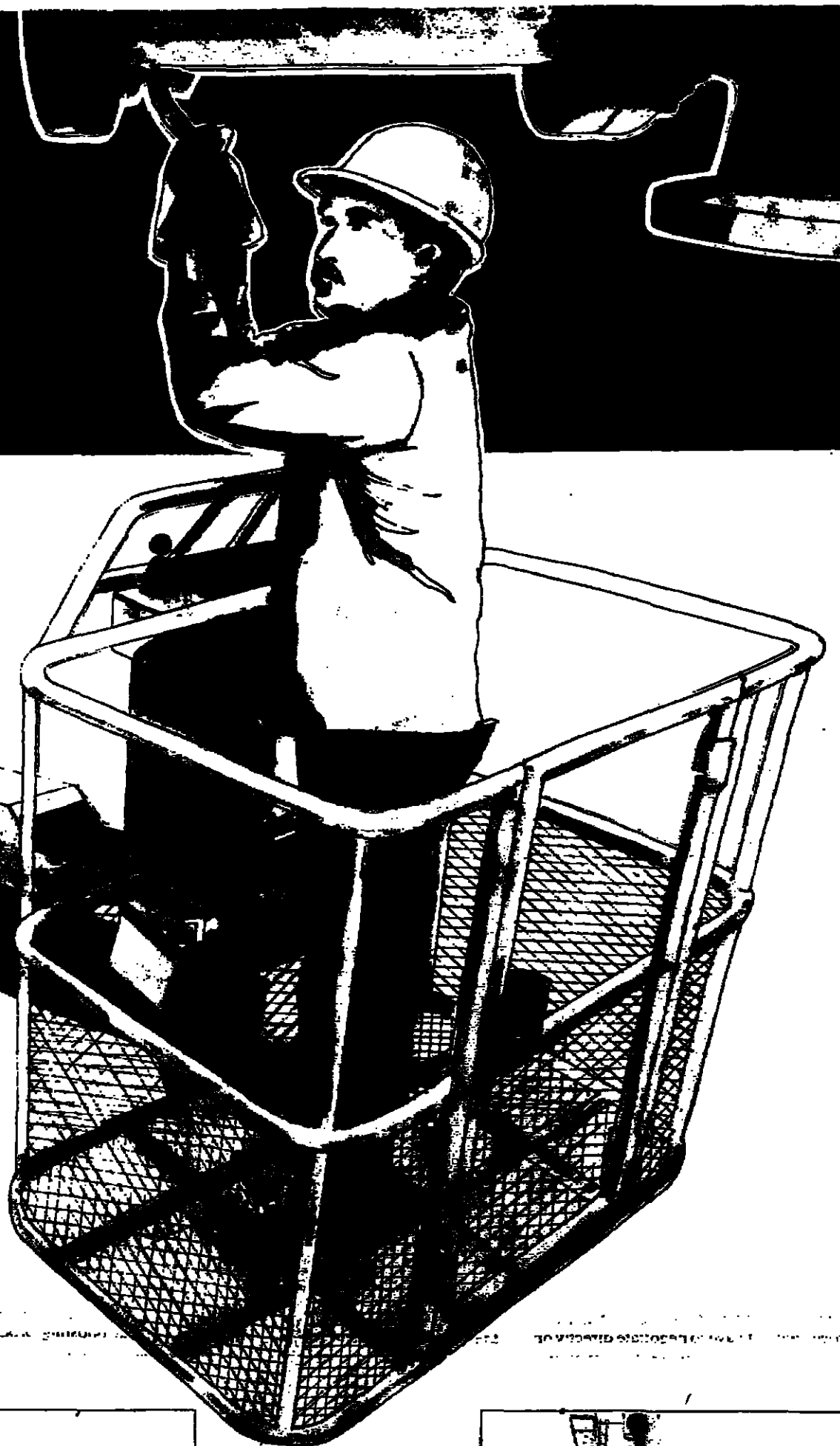
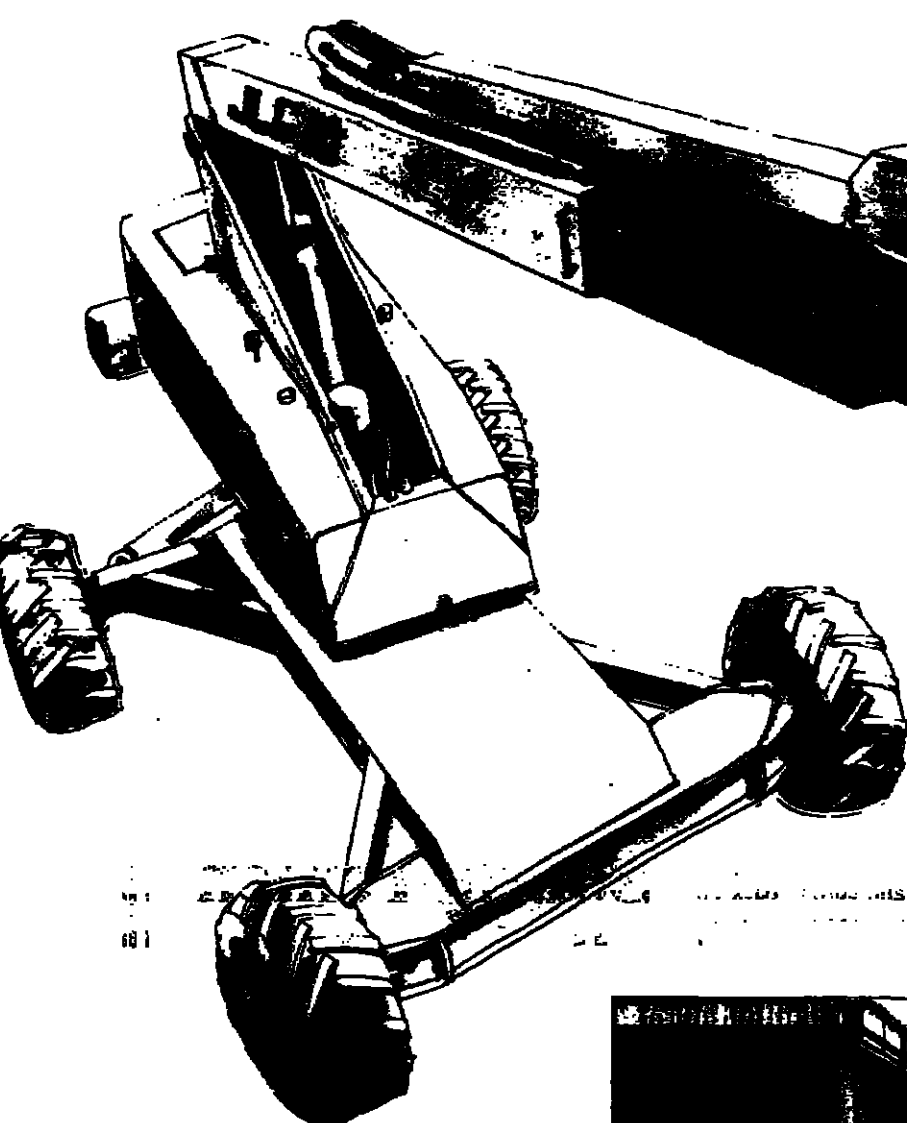


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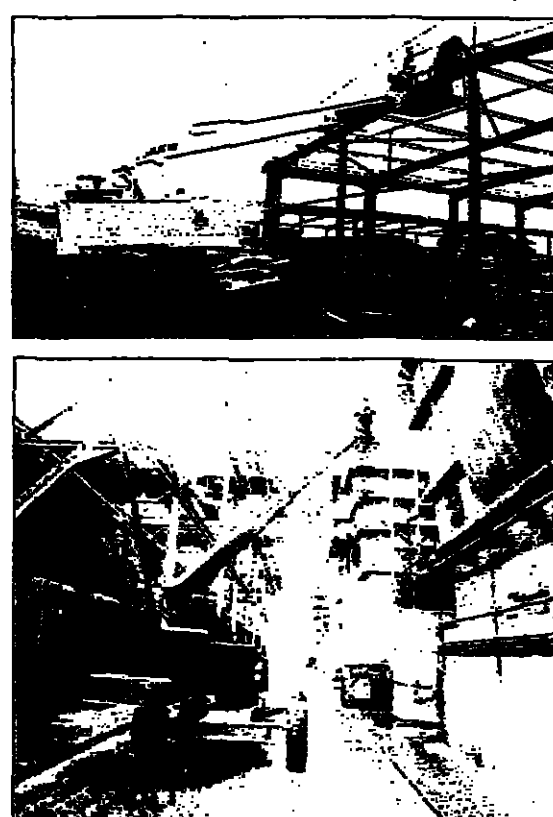
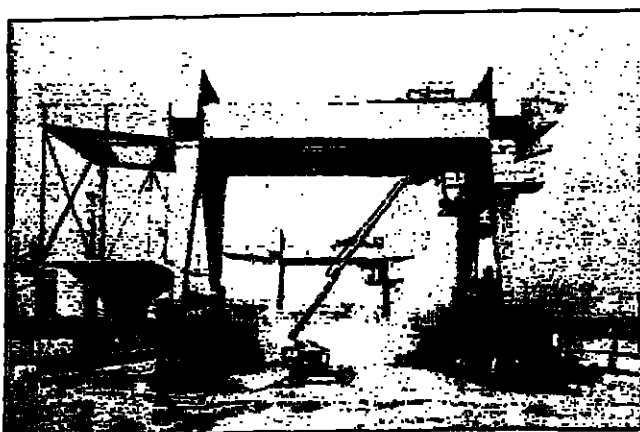
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WEINBERGER'S TOUR

King Hussein took his guest Caspar Weinberger, the U.S. defense secretary, by helicopter to look at the fixed Hawk anti-aircraft missile batteries which America had sold to Jordan. The king had wanted mobile batteries, and he was promised them in 1975 by President Ford. But Congress stepped in insisting that the Hawks must have fixed positions.

Weinberger wants to reconsider this strange situation. He makes it clear that he is merely "thinking aloud," and that his thoughts are that Jordan must after all have its mobile Hawks—and that Congress must be persuaded to sanction this.

Weinberger's thoughts have been jogged by the fact that Jordan had already obtained mobile SAM batteries from the Soviet Union—to the tune of 20 batteries each with 16 missiles.

Weinberger is not objecting to the deal with the Soviets so much as trying to improve U.S.-Jordanian relations. His tour of some countries of the Middle East was aimed at strengthening the ties of friendship with them as well as explaining his country's strategic conceptions. He was helped in this by his knowledge that he is a more acceptable and welcome visitor than his colleague, Secretary of State Alexander Haig, as well as his ability to deliver once an understanding is made.

On his efforts in Amman in particular, one has to note that Jordan has clear regional policies on its relations with each of Syria, Iraq and the PLO, a fact which leaves many lines of conjecture open.

Saudi Arabian press review

The emergency meeting of the Arab foreign ministers in Tunis and the Arab proposal for the establishment of an Islamic security council figured for editorial comment in Saturday's newspapers.

Dealing with the Tunis meeting, *Al-Bilad* observed that the unified Arab stand which had enabled the Arabs to achieve an overwhelming victory in the U.N. is capable of scoring more victories in facing the Zionist challenges.

"Although the Arab foreign ministers are meeting at a crucial time; there is a great hope the ministers will be able to push the Arab cause toward a collective strategy that will realize the aspirations of the Arab world," it said. *Al-Jazirah* called on the ministers to take proper measures that will ensure the restoration of the rights of the Arabs and preserve the Arab nation's dignity and sovereignty. It added that the world was watching the outcome of the Arab ministers' meeting.

Referring to the surprising change in the stance of some European countries, *Okaz* urged the ministers to work out an Arab strategy for confronting these sudden changes. It advised the Arabs to iron out their marginal

differences to achieve solidarity.

Okaz also urged the Arab countries to unanimously adopt the Arab plan for peace in the Middle East. It also urged the United States to abandon its blind support for Israel and preserve its vital interests in the Mideast.

The paper requested the Arab nation to further boost its relations with African and Latin American countries "so as to foil the Zionist moves."

Al-Riyadh called on the Arab states to shoulder their traditional responsibility, forget their marginal differences and unify their ranks to confront their common enemy and its expansionist designs. It noted that the Tunis meeting is taking place in the wake of the Israeli annexation of the Golan Heights.

Al-Madina called upon the Islamic world to pay no heed to any American or Soviet pressures in taking or implementing decisions.

"The Islamic world should be courageous enough to declare the formation of its own Islamic security council to serve as an effective body for implementing the decisions which the world Security Council may fail to implement," it said. (SPA)

Kampuchea struggles for economic recovery

By Sharon Nogucht

PHNOM PENH —

At the Psa Depo soap factory here, the 121 workers fill up the aging vats with fats and alkali every morning for production. Within a few hours the machinery has squeezed out its last soap bar for the day. A shortage of fats and chemicals limits production to 400-500 kilograms per day, less than one-sixth the factory's capacity. Recently, an increasingly erratic power supply has cut output further.

The problems plaguing Psa Depo, the only soap factory in Kampuchea, are typical of the economic difficulties throughout the country. A scarcity of raw materials, energy, technical expertise and spare parts is hurting efforts to restore the economic infrastructure after the destruction of war and the regime of Pol Pot, which saw technology as an evil. For the 6.5 million people in Heng Samrin's People's Republic of Kampuchea, life's basic necessities remain precious luxuries. In some industries that restarted with such optimism in the past three years, production declined despite government efforts to boost output.

Production of tires last year fell to one-third of the 1980 level. Sandal output fell 75 percent and shoe manufacturing 90 percent.

According to the vice-minister of industry, Nuon Sareth, 57 factories have started up since the Vietnamese-backed government took power three years ago. Yet because of a shortage of raw materials, the vital construction industry is operating at 20 percent of what it was in 1969. The same is true of electricity generation, food and chemical industries.

Only the textile industry, Sareth said, can depend upon a constant supply of raw materials, the cotton and jute produced domestically. But, at Textile Factory No. 3 in Phnom Penh, the largest of the nation's four textile plants, only 40 percent of last year's production goal of 1.1 million meters of cloth was met.

Union President Chhim Youleng said a lack of kerosene, spare parts and electricity has hampered production. The factory has been drawing on inventory left from the previous regime, but the dwindling stock of cotton thread is not being replenished. An adjacent factory for producing rubber sandals sits idle, lacking materials and spare parts for the Japanese-made machines.

Lack of diplomatic ties with countries outside the Soviet bloc precludes trade and foreign-aid agreements with the West. Trade with Japan was revived on a minuscule scale in 1980, and last year the Japan-Kampuchea Trade Association imported \$582,000 worth of kapok fiber, aloe wood and other raw materials.

Most of Kampuchea's embryonic industries produce for domestic consumption, so the government has few sources of foreign exchange. The major exception is the rubber plantations, which last year produced 8,000 metric tons of raw latex, 90 percent of which was shipped to the Soviet Union and East Germany.

Lumber, for example, is currently harvested only for local use. "We have no machinery for harvesting," chief of the planning section of the agriculture ministry, Chea Kong, said. "If we want to cut a tree, we must use an axe: one man, one day, one tree. We need tractors to clear forests, trucks to transport and saws."

The Soviet Union last year contributed \$95 million worth of food, fuel, clothing, medical supplies and other aid. Starting this year, aid will shift from humanitarian hand-outs to long-term loans and development projects, according to a counselor in the Soviet Embassy here.

United Nations organizations, which poured in \$350 million in the two years ended last September, have not made a commitment for this year. Both the Soviets and officials of international agencies have agreed that the emergency in Kampuchea is over, but planning for development, while necessary to reach self-sufficiency, is politically more sticky than simply feeding the starving.

"If you don't develop the capacity to get them off the dole, they'll always be dependent," said one U.N. official. Technically, U.N. agencies may engage in humanitarian aid, but not development, because the regime lacks recognition.

So large-scale development is limited. Soviet aid and advisers helped repair the port of Kompong Som, where Pol Pot forces destroyed electrical equipment just before retreating from the advancing Vietnamese army. The Soviets also are rebuilding the national bank, which was blown up in a show of Pol Pot's disdain for the monetary economy.

The government has reintroduced money and has opened a foreign exchange bank. While the government is Socialist in policy, a *laissez-faire* economy has been permitted to develop as one of the three economic sectors. In the city, this free economy takes the form of beauty shops, restaurants, photo studios, dentists and jewelers who have gone into business. Although not allowed the government rations of rice and other staples, these entrepreneurs generally make several times the wages of bureaucrats and factory workers.

Recognizing the discrepancy between the incomes in the free and state sectors, the government recently increased salaries 40 percent. Officially the only landlord, it has held off on collecting rent. Nor does it assess taxes or utility—except electricity—charges.

The economy has displayed remarkable stability, judging by the rather steady black market rate of the riel—the Kampuchean currency—to the dollar. But without visible means of increasing production and the prospect of U.N. recognition and aid, the economy seems destined to be stuck in low gear. (ONS)

Britain's stand on Falklands irks Argentina

By Hugh O'Shaughnessy

LONDON —

Argentina is prepared to seize the Falkland Islands by force this year, according to the authoritative Buenos Aires daily *La Prensa*, citing government sources.

The newly-installed government of Gen. Leopoldo Galtieri is said to be tired of what it sees as Britain's delaying tactics over the Falklands issue and wants Britain formally to renounce sovereignty this year and set a precise timetable for the handing over of the remote South Atlantic territory. If this does not happen Argentina would invade.

In London, the Foreign and Commonwealth Office refuses to comment on the new threat. The 1,700 Falklanders, who live in a windswept archipelago the size of Wales, are defended by a platoon of Royal Marines and a local volunteer

force which together do not number 100 men. The immense problem of reinforcing this tiny garrison in the event of hostilities has for long been exercising the ministry of defense as no South American country is likely to allow staging facilities to British troops going to defend the colony against Argentina.

The Argentines canceled planned talks with Britain on the Falklands issue which were to have taken place in Geneva on Dec. 18 and 19 as Gen. Galtieri, a right-wing hardliner, took power in Buenos Aires in a bloodless coup. No new date for discussions has been fixed.

Since Galtieri seized power last month there has been a general toughening of Argentine foreign policy. Last month Argentina repudiated a treaty signed in 1972 with Chile on ways to handle border disputes and it has made warlike noises about the

Beagle Channel. The Argentines have effectively rejected the Pope's mediation on the Beagle Channel question as they did before with a judicial award by the Queen in 1977 which gave the three islands near Cape Horn to Chile. Argentina went back on its undertaking to accept the Queen's judgment as binding.

The Galtieri government has also been worried by Brazilian moves to buy *HMS Endurance*, the only ship in the fleet built to operate in polar conditions. Brazil plans to mount its first polar expedition this year in a sector of the Antarctic already claimed by Argentina and Britain.

At the bottom of Argentina's present truculence is a great deal of wounded national pride and a desire to ensure its possession of potentially vast reserves of oil, natural gas and minerals under the South Atlantic and Antarctica.



French 'Greens' betrayed by Mitterrand

By Robin Smyth

PARIS —

Trying to be law-abiding and a "Green" in France today could drive anyone mad. This is the conclusion of ecologists after the bazooka bombardment of the tower which will house a fast-breeder reactor at Creys-Malville on the Rhone.

The man who claims to have carried out the attack last month has told the Paris office of the Agence France-Presse news agency that he took every precaution to avoid casualties and scored five direct hits on the immense reactor casing. The obsolete Soviet-made anti-tank missiles hurt nobody and left no more than a shallow scratch on a concrete hide designed to withstand the impact of a crashing aircraft.

Ecologists were quick to disown the tactics of the bomber, whose abandoned launcher was found in scorched reeds by the river bank. Leaders of the Green Movement point out that he could possibly be one of their followers, driven to despair by "a government which has betrayed its promises."

West Germany has a pugnacious and growing Green Party, while protectors of the environment in France give the impression of being in full retreat—and this is blamed by French Greens on their Socialist allies.

Before President Mitterrand came to power in May, he and his party gave the impression they were squarely behind the diversification of France's energy sources. They implied that, if they came to power, President Giscard d'Estaing's much-vaunted nuclear energy program would be cut back rigorously.

The future president promised a referendum on nuclear power and declared that the Creys-Malville fast-breeder reactor was unnecessary. After their victory, the Socialist leaders saw there was a lot more to be said for Giscard's project than they had cared to admit in opposition. Reducing unemployment is the prime objective of Socialist policy, and nuclear power employs 200,000 workers and many more indirectly.

More than half the country's electricity will be

produced by the reactors in 1985, and no other energy source is ready to reduce France's dependence on foreign oil supplies.

With more than 45 reactors in service or under construction, France is well ahead of the rest of Europe. Mitterrand decided that no government could afford to throw away such a lead, with its opportunities for exports and advanced technological development. Only three reactors have been canceled. This readjustment would probably have been decided by any government, given the signs that electricity consumption is increasing less quickly than predicted.

The government made a prudent retreat by canceling the hotly contested reactor at Plogoff on one of the most beautiful stretches of the Breton coast. But the fast-breeder reactor was confirmed, and so were plans to extend the controversial nuclear waste reprocessing plant at La Hague, near Cherbourg, and to continue treating waste from foreign reactors.

"It would be suicidal to abandon our positions," said Jean-Pierre Chevènement, minister of technology. Though Socialist idealists were chilled by the "realism" of their colleagues, this thinking won the day.

Brice Lalonde, the young Green presidential candidate, emerged from the first round of the presidential election in May with 1,126,000 votes. This put his forces in third place behind the candidates of the coalitions of Left and Right. Ecology votes helped Mitterrand in the play-off ballot. Since then, Green power has seemed to ebb away. In the four by-elections last month won by the opposition, few Green voters remained loyal and the Ecology 82 candidate was swept away.

Lalonde, whose followers fight running battles with police in the docks of Cherbourg when the foreign-waste fuel ships come in, looks back with bitterness on the trust he placed in the Socialists.

"They had a program which, though not as radical as ours, was not a bad one compared with the other parties," he says. "They gave an absolute promise that La Hague would not be extended. No

nuclear waste from abroad was to be accepted in France. Because the Socialists will suppress only three reactors, we are now moving toward an over-capacity of electricity."

He points out that the French Greens are on a par with the Germans in numbers, but the French system is designed to wear away minorities and prevent their voices from being heard. Proportional representation in local elections is being pushed into the future in Socialist plans.

"This is a technocratic centralized country," says Lalonde. "There's no room for citizen movements. There are no structures for us here, as there are in the Netherlands; no state government which can be moved, as there is in Germany. It is a really difficult situation."

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Sunday, Feb. 14th, the 45th day of 1982. There are 320 days left in the year.

Highlights in history on this date:

1540 — Roman Emperor Charles V enters Ghent and executes leaders of revolt.
1696 — William III tells British Parliament of discovery of Sir John Fenwick's plot to assassinate him.

1797 — British Fleet under John Jervis and Horatio Nelson defeats Spanish off Cape Saint Vincent.
1846 — Uprising in Cracow Republic swiftly spreads through Poland.

1893 — Hawaii is annexed by treaty to the United States.

1943 — Soviet forces recapture Rostov from Germans in World War II.

1950 — The Soviet Union and China sign 30-year treaty in Moscow.

1956 — Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev denounces Stalin's policies at Soviet Communist Party conference.

1958 — Union of kingdoms of Iraq and Jordan into Arab Federation with King Faisal as head of state.

1962 — Kenyan constitutional conference opens in London, England.

1966 — Death toll rises to 19 in Dominican Republic during sniping and grenade attacks.

1978 — U.S. government announces plans to sell billions of dollars worth of arms to Egypt and Israel, saying it will maintain military balance in the Middle East.

1979 — U.S. Ambassador to Afghanistan Adolph Dubs is kidnapped from his car in Kabul by gunmen and is killed in shootout between his abductors and police.

1981 — Fire in Dublin, Ireland, dance hall kills at least 48 persons and injures more than 120.

Thought for today:
A lover who reasons is no lover — Norval Douglas, English writer (1868-1952).

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13 skiers died last month

Experts say education can save lives lost in Alps 'white death' avalanches

By Colin McIntyre

VIENNA (R) — An avalanche which killed 13 skiers last month has set off a new debate on how to avoid the "white death" that has claimed more than 800 lives in Austria in the past 20 years.

On January 31, 25 youths from an "outward bound" adventure center in West Germany, accompanied by two teachers and a trained mountaineer, set off from the little village of Werfenweng, near Salzburg, for a ski tour.

Conditions were atrocious, according to Austrian press reports, with heavy snow and poor visibility. The radio had been broadcasting avalanche warnings since dawn.

"Suddenly there was a loud crack, and then an great gust of air," said 21-year-old Stefan Bleilinger from Hamburg, one of five survivors.

"When I woke up I was lying under snow and broken wood."

He managed to free himself and staggered down the mountain to call for help, but for most of his friends the help came too late. It was Austria's worst avalanche disaster a busload of young swedes were killed by a snow slide that covered their bus in 1965.

Last year 445 people died in avalanches in the European Alps 87 of them in Austria.

The Austrian press, relieved that the latest tragedy but worried about the possible effect on Austria's thriving winter sports industry, was quick to point to human error.

"Nothing short of murder," screamed one popular press headline, and the paper recalled that the West German center in question had been warned a few years back for ignor-

ing expert local advice.

But two other avalanches on the same day involved Austrians only. In one, an 80-year-old farmer watched helplessly as his son was swept to his death. Elsewhere nine skiers were able to dig themselves out of a three-meter (10-foot) high snow-slide.

While conceding that the latest tragedy was partly due to a combination of unfortunate circumstances, the Salzburg daily *Salzburger Nachrichten* commented that avalanche deaths do not happen with the inevitability of a Greek tragedy.

"They are almost always the result of human error," it said in an editorial, pointing out that up to 90 cm (35 inches) of new snow had fallen just before the accident and the authorities had warned of acute avalanche danger in the whole area.

Other commentators expressed concern about a growing trend among skiers to leave the prepared pistes (slopes) in search of deep snow, as well as the increasing popularity of cross-country touring in remote areas, with animal skins on the bottom of skis for going uphill.

As one Austrian magazine put it, "Anyone who can't ski in deep snow isn't in."

Ironically, part of the problem is that the general standard of skiing everywhere has risen steadily in the past few years, opening the secrets of handling virgin snow to more and more people.

One paper reported that in the Austrian ski resort of Oberegurgl, trainee ski instructors arrived at the slopes early one morning for their deep-snow test only to find tracks crisscrossing every patch of new snow. Their examination had to be postponed.

"While on the one hand people are skiing

well, on the other they are not learning how to recognize danger in deep snow or on tours," Austria's leading avalanche expert, Albert Gayl, was quoted as saying recently.

Gayl said it would be wrong to restrict the movements of skiers after last month's tragedy, adding that the answer was more education on Alpine dangers, particularly in schools.

He pointed out that the avalanche record of cross-country skiers, who tend to be trained and equipped for conditions off the beaten track, was better than that of downhill skiers wandering off the pistes in search of virgin snow.

But even the best equipment is no security against avalanches. The youths who died last month all carried electronic beepers to enable rescuers to find them, but for most it was too late.

According to Austrian experts, two out of every 10 persons caught in avalanches are dead before the avalanche comes to a stop. Six out of ten die if not found within an hour and the survival chance after two hours is just two percent.

Victims die mainly from suffocation and freezing. The body temperature of a person buried in snow drops around three degrees an hour, and death comes when it reaches 25 degrees centigrade (77 fahrenheit).

As the *Salzburger Nachrichten* commented: "Avalanche danger means mortal danger."

Pointing out that avalanche forecasting was no longer a rule-of-thumb matter, but an exact science based on weather, snow conditions and geography, it said: "if the avalanche warning service has even the slightest doubts, there is only one thing for it — don't go out."



WESTERNIZED TOKYO: Upon their return from abroad Japanese families find that their neighborhoods are rapidly being Westernized. This photo shows a group of new hotels in Tokyo. Aside from the physical differences they also have to face many cultural differences.

Misfits in their own country

Japanese find upon returning home they are isolated from former life

By Deborah Smith

TOKYO (AP) — The estimated 7,700 Japanese children each year who return from living abroad often find they are misfits in their own country. Whole families, too, sometimes face difficult readjustment as they re-enter Japanese society.

Criticized abroad as being clannish, the Japanese come home to discover that their foreign experience isolates them from neighbors, classmates and business associates — leading them to feel like aliens despite Japan's vigorous "internationalization" campaign.

Some 30,000 Japanese youngsters live abroad with their families. Back home, they face educational and social barriers, largely brought about by limited language ability and differences in the way they think, scholars say. Some young returnees cannot communicate well enough in Japanese to enter the most competitive schools.

One repatriated mother said her children came home from school in tears, upset at being called "foreigners" and laughed at by their classmates. Another said returnees "must discard their uniqueness" to be accepted.

Michiko Yawata, who returned with her husband and two children after three years in California, said, "the children lose their identity. It's sad because they grew up (in America) to be very individual and free. But

once back on Japan you must disappear, lose yourself."

The problem is not confined to students. In fact, entire families face social adjustments on re-entry into Japan's homogenous society, with its stress on group action and peer pressure, says Dr. Hiroshi Inamura, a psychiatrist and university professor.

Higher prices, lower salaries without overseas allowances and smaller living quarters in Japan all contribute to the frustration, he said. A returning businessman must regain his colleagues' trust, socializing with them after work — which in turn strains the family relationship — while a wife may miss the personal interests she had while living abroad.

"The way of thinking and expression is different," Inamura said. "The face is Japanese, but the way of thinking is not. In Japanese companies cooperation is valued. Everyone works together. Others can't figure out what he (a returnee) is thinking. Japanese want to feel as if they share one heart."

Inamura noted that in Japan, a university degree largely determines the course of a person's life, employment, even marriage, and Japanese companies generally hire only graduates of Japanese universities.

Thus, for returning students, school is especially hard. Written Japanese — with more than 2,000 characters in daily use — is often an obstacle to passing entrance exams to the prestigious universities that virtually

guarantee employment security.

A steady rise in the number of Japanese going abroad has led scholars to question the fairness of the exam-oriented system, which begins as early as grammar school. A few universities have revised entrance procedures; others have created special high school programs.

Worried that prolonged stays abroad hurt their children's chances to compete, some parents choose to live apart, keeping their children, especially sons, in school here.

"Usually, parents who go abroad are intelligent, graduates of good universities, and want their children to enter the same level universities. So they try to enroll them in good high schools," Inamura said. "But no matter how hard the child studies abroad, he is not prepared for the exams."

Anne Murase, a university lecturer, said, "it is a real problem for most of the families from the foreign ministry or big trading companies who are well-educated and socially aggressive. If the child does not get into a good university, it is a setback for the family."

Inamura said, "if the child goes through high school abroad, his life — university education, employment, marriage — becomes centered abroad. For the sake of internationalism, Japan should accept the returnees and learn from their viewpoint. Otherwise, Japan cannot become international."

Innocent sometimes implicated

Hypnosis influences crime testimony, credibility is questioned by doctors

By B.D. Cohen

NEW YORK — The woman had disappeared without a trace and police, hoping to discover what had become of her, decided to hypnotize her young son. As if in a made-for-television mystery movie, the hypnotized boy was able to recount the awful event he had repressed — he had seen his father murder his mother.

The man was charged with first-degree murder, tried and convicted. It seemed like a clear-cut case of hypnosis to solve a crime. But according to psychiatrist Martin Orne, well after the trial the woman turned up alive in California. What the son had repressed had been his desire or fear, rather than his mem-

ory of an actual event.

Such a dramatic turn of events is indeed rare, concedes Orne, director of the Institute for Experimental Psychiatry at the Institute of Pennsylvania Hospital. But Orne is concerned by what he describes as a "growth industry in training police officers" to use hypnosis. Estimates of the number of such specially trained police range from a low of 2,500 to a high of 10,000.

This fascination with hypnosis and its use as a crime-solving tool flies in the face of what Orne and some other nationally known experts on hypnosis and memory call a lack of hard evidence that memories evoked under hypnosis are reliable.

Consider, for example, the following familiar television cop-show scenario:

The witness to a crime has seen the getaway car, but no matter how hard he tries, he can't recall the license-plate number — until a police hypnotist is called in.

Telling the hypnotized witness to imagine that he is watching the scene on a television, the hypnotist orders the witness to "freeze the frame." The action stops. The witness is told to zoom in on the license plate, to enlarge it so it fills the screen. Then, under hypnosis, the witness is able to "read" the license plate. The number is traced, the driver is arrested and the case is closed.

According to Orne, an Illinois man was charged with first-degree murder under exactly those circumstances. Using hypnosis, police elicited a license-plate number from a witness who had seen the car from a distance of 230 feet, at night, with lights shining directly into his eyes. The charges were dropped, however, said Orne, after an ophthalmologist testified that a person could not see more than 30 feet under such conditions.

Seven independent studies of the hypnotic recall of nonsense syllables memorized before hypnosis have shown absolutely no increase in the recall of nonsense syllables, which is, of course, essentially what a license-plate number is.

But one thing such studies have consistently shown, said Orne, and something that should be particularly disturb police departments and courts, is that, under hypnosis, there is "a decrease in critical judgment, which is one of its hallmarks."

According to Dr. Lawrence Kolb, professor emeritus of psychiatry at the college of physicians and surgeons at Columbia University, under hypnosis "fantasy may be reported as well as fact."

And Ulric Neisser, a professor of psychology at Cornell, went even further. "The effect of hypnosis is not to enhance memory, it is to alter memory," Neisser told the symposium. "Far from enhancing memory of a past event so that it can be recalled, hypnosis makes it more likely that memory will be altered."

Kolb, who has been working with Vietnam veterans suffering from post-traumatic syndrome, told of a veteran who, under hypnosis, was finally able to describe and relieve a bloody ambush in which he was unable to prevent the death of his buddies. It turned out, however, that while the man apparently had a deep-seated fear of such an event occurring, it had occurred only in his mind. While hypnosis helped relieve him of his "guilt," it also resulted in the reporting of total fantasy as fact.

One reason we are so happy to believe that hypnosis can bring about the accurate recall of events we are otherwise unable to remember, said Neisser, is that at this point in socio-medical history, we have come to regard the brain as a tape recorder that stores all the images and input it ever receives. But, said Neisser, there is "essentially no empirical support" for that belief. "I suggest that we are ready to believe in mental tape recordings because we are familiar with physical tape recordings."

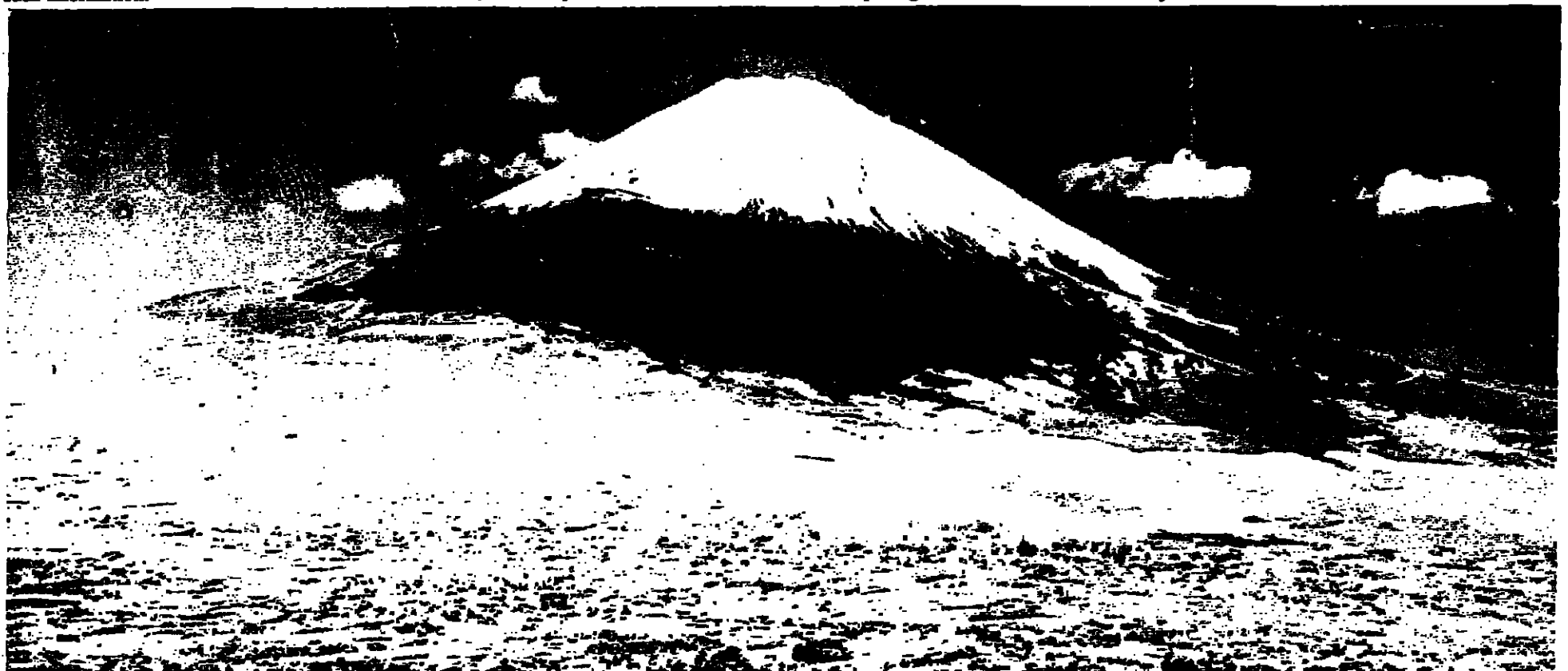
Neisser said he has been studying the case of Watergate figure John Dean, who seemed to have amazing ability to recall during his testimony before the Senate Watergate

Committee and who had reporters and others referring to him as a human tape recorder. Dean apparently was able to recall precisely who said what to whom and on what date they said it.

But Neisser, who has been comparing Dean's version of conversations with the Nixon tapes, said Dean is far from being a human tape recorder. While the former presidential counsel was accurate in recounting the subject of conversations, and the gist of who said what to whom, he was not particularly accurate, Neisser said, in recalling direct quotes.

What police are after, however, is not the verbatim recall of quotes from human tape recorders, but little facts and bits of information bystanders may have noted immediately before witnessing a traumatic event, such as a serious accident or a murder.

But experiments conducted by Elizabeth Loftus, a professor of psychology and memory expert at the University of Washington, cast serious doubts about the reliability of such information.



UNCHANGED MOUNTAIN: This is one scene in Japan which has not changed in many thousands of years, Mt. Fuji Yama. This is one of the highest mountains in Japan, a sight like this makes coming home worthwhile.

Moving to Washington? Curiosities, problems abound

By Robert Cheskyre

WASHINGTON, (LOS) — A month into a three-year stint in Washington D.C. and a little of that energizing strangeness that heightens one's awareness of a new place is fading. Some pedestrians even risk jaywalking in brave defiance of intimidating walk signs that flash "don't walk" in large red letters and hope it's true — that the police, who will happily ticket anything on four wheels that so much as pauses near a "no parking" zone, are more tolerant of aberrant pedestrians.

But still, for all the superficial similarities and despite the familiar feeling one gets from all the movies, the United States is foreign in both expected and unexpected ways. "Brunch" is a great family institution on Sundays in general Georgetown, that charming section of Washington that pre-dates the city itself and puts some Britons in mind of Chelsea.

On one recent Sunday the main street was sealed off, police with rifles were flitting from doorway to doorway, and overhead a helicopter buzzed incessantly. Two armed men trying to rob a pizzeria had gunned down a waiter, and the police thought for a while

they had the gunman holed up. After a couple of hours and the arrest of one youth, who turned out to have nothing to do with the robbery, but appeared to be there and black, the police called the stake-out off.

The robbery hardly made the papers, and the fate of the waiter, who was said to have been critically wounded, was never followed up. Against a background of murder, mugging and armed robbery, which assumes the impact of musak after a short time — one's hardly aware that it's still playing. The acceptance of violence is one of the most foreign aspects of life.

Violence, of course, was to be expected, but another overwhelming fact of life — endless bureaucracy — comes as a surprise in this land of pioneer spirits. A new car, straight from the showroom, must be inspected first in the jurisdiction in which it was sold, and then where it is to be kept. No one seriously expects to find anything wrong with a new car, nor does anyone try very hard, but the owner must drive across town and queue up at the testing station nonetheless.

Such a requirement does give employment — sorely needed in this city as President Reagan cuts back the size of the Federal government — and could scarcely be rated as

more than aggravating, but daily one runs into hassles that are generically dignified here by the word "problem", which is a first cousin to the word "policy."

Every organization has a policy for every aspect of its affairs — from accepting a check to granting admittance to the White House to report on the president — and until one has been equipped with endless "ID" material, ranging from identity cards to press passes, life is exceedingly difficult.

Policies tend to cause queues, and "standing in line" becomes a regular pastime, which in a winter that has seen record cold temperatures is a problem in itself. Whenever there is something major to be reported at the White House, queues of shivering reporters wait for up to 45 minutes outside a little hut, while a guard rings to get authorization for each individual, who must then fill out a form relating his birth and subsequent life in some detail, identical to forms he might have filled in every day that week.

A problem of a different sort is finding a house. Because of the potential violence in large parts of the city, if you have small children you intend to send to public schools, and you want to live within Washington, D.C. itself, as opposed to its burgeoning Virginia

and Maryland suburbs, you are restricted in practice to a small corner of the city. Which makes house-hunting both easy, because there is only one area in which to look, and difficult because that district is not very big.

The houses were what Americans call "colonial" in this case large, well-equipped and affluent — but frequently dumped behind high perimeter walls. The previous tenants left owing \$8,000 in rent, leaving everything — even toothbrushes — and the deal was to be that the owner would obtain the abandoned furniture through the courts, and let the next occupant have the house part-furnished — a great rarity in Washington, where most owners even trip the drapes before renting a house. Three days later, the tenant had been back, changed the locks and taken the furniture.

From behind the wheel of a car one sees something of the dark side of the American character. People who on dry land are persistently wishing one another "Have a good day" and indulging in endless verbal courtesies over the phone, drive with their hands near the horn, never give a voluntary inch, overtake on the inside and generally behave as if the rules of the road had never been codified.

On U.N. missions

Reagan help sought against terror acts

UNITED NATIONS, Feb. 13 (AP) — U.N. observers for 29 non-governmental organizations have petitioned United States President Ronald Reagan for help in protecting U.N. member countries' missions in New York from terrorist acts.

"We do hope you as president might stimulate the federal authorities to increase their efforts in protecting these missions and in finding those individuals and organizations responsible," said a letter sent Friday with the petition. Copies of both documents went to Ambassador Jeane J. Kirkpatrick, head of the U.S. mission.

The letter said the petitioners felt the U.S. government and other authorities had "not been sufficiently diligent in finding and prosecuting those who commit acts of terrorism against the premises and personnel" of U.N. missions.

Though there are over 150 such missions, the only one mentioned by name in either the letter or the petition was the Soviet mission, which was mentioned in both. "We especially condemn the pattern of attacks on the buildings and diplomatic personnel of the Soviet Union, including the firing of bullets into its buildings, exploding of bombs, and the verbal abuse of the families of its personnel," the petition said.

The Soviet mission has complained repeatedly to the New York police and the U.N. Committee on Relations with the host country of such incidents. But other missions have been subjected to somewhat similar harassment, though perhaps not so persistently.

In recent years, the Turkish mission has been the target of an Armenian bomb blast, the Yugoslav mission of a Croatian invasion and the Cuban mission of bomb explosions and a murder — laid to anti-Castro Cuban Americans. The letter to the president was signed by Homer A. Jack, secretary-general of the World Conference on Religion and Peace.

Other signers of the petition identified themselves as observers for various organizations of either secular or religious nature including the World Union of Progressive Judaism, the World Union of Catholic Women's Organizations, the World Muslim Congress, the Association of Arab American University Graduates, the Friends' General Conference, the Women's International Democratic Federation, the Pan-Pacific and Southeast Asia Women's Association and the Gray Panthers.

Ford receives apology from Reagan's friend

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 13 (R) — Multi-millionaire Justin Dart, a close friend of President Ronald Reagan, has apologized to former President Gerald Ford after being quoted as calling him "dumb," a spokeswoman for Dart said Friday.

The *Los Angeles Times* quoted Dart, a powerful figure inside the Republican Party, as saying after meeting Ford last month: "Jerry's a nice man, but he's not very smart... actually, our seatmate is a dumb." The *Times* said Dart made the comment to one of its reporters. It said he believed Ford had assured his own defeat in the 1976 presidential election not offering to make Reagan his vice presidential candidate.

Dart's spokeswoman said he had written a letter of apology to Ford which said in part: "For this very stupid reference I am sincerely embarrassed and to be very honest, I am just sick about it... I deeply regret this very unfortunate mistake and you have my total apology."

Soviets rap Italian party

MOSCOW, Feb. 13 (R) — The Kremlin Saturday fiercely condemned the Italian Communist Party (PCI) and restated the Soviet Union's claim to supreme leadership in the world Communist movement.

In its second attack on the Italian Communist Party in three weeks, the Soviet Party newspaper *Pravda* accused it of flouting the principles of socialism and giving moral support to Moscow's enemies, especially in Poland.

"In this extremely responsible situation, which serves as an acid test of readiness to show true internationalism, the PCI has applied 'ideological sanctions' against (Polish Communists), regrettably on a level with the economic, political and propagandist sanctions brought by America and other NATO countries," *Pravda* said.

The exasperation evident in the commentary suggested the Kremlin had all but abandoned any hope of finding common ground with Italian Communist Party over fundamental issues of ideology.

Pravda said Soviet Communists had tried again and again to discuss disagreements over Soviet domestic and foreign policy. But it did not identify such crucial disputes as Moscow's

armed interventions in Czechoslovakia in 1968 and Afghanistan in 1979, as well as its human rights record.

"However, on the part of the PCI leadership and its press, we have encountered again and again attacks against our party, statements and actions prejudicial to the cause of peace and socialism," it added.

Pravda echoed the charges in its first attack on the Italian Communists, published on Jan. 24, that PCI leaders were, by their conflict with the Soviet party, harming peace and détente. The Italian Communist Party's response, published in its daily *L'Unita*, was to defend its sympathies for the suspended Polish free trade union Solidarity.

Among the charges directed at Moscow by *L'Unita* was that the Soviet Union hindered any worthwhile dialogue by refusing to publish Italian Communist Party statements.

Pravda said Saturday that some Italian Communists appeared to have learnt from its January article and were now more vociferous in criticizing "imperialism" and "U.S. aggression." But it was firm in its criticism of the Italian party's leadership, without mentioning PCI chief Enrico Berlinguer by name.

3rd World leads in 'involuntary' disappearances

GENEVA, Feb. 13 (AP) — Cases of "involuntary" disappearances are on the rise, a United Nations human rights panel said Friday in a report about what it called one of the world's most serious rights violations.

The 74-page document, released by the working group on enforced or involuntary disappearances, contained, however, no precise statistics estimating the international extent of the abuse. The panel said it "examined information on the disappearances of some 2,100 people" in its survey of 22 countries, all of them in the Third World.

It conceded that "disappearances may have occurred on countries other than those" surveyed, but stated categorically: "The number of disappeared persons is increasing." Guatemala, with 275 cases, was the country with the single largest number of missing persons reported to the working group during 1981.

The five-man panel, which has limited investigatory means and relied on a variety of sources for case histories, said it received just eight reports about missing persons last year in Argentina, seven of whom were released. The body of the eighth victim was found, the working group said.

The panel, in its initial report year ago, said it had received information about 11,000 to 13,000 cases of disappearances in 15 countries, spanning several years. Argentina, the working group said, figured in more than half of those reports.

Meanwhile, exiled Argentine publisher Jacobo Timerman and Robert White, the former U.S. ambassador to Paraguay and El Salvador testified in a New York court Friday some Latin American regimes have "institutionalized" torture.

Release of Beatles' early records planned this year

LONDON, Feb. 13 (AP) — Two early Beatles' recordings that have never been released are being put on sale to the public, possibly this year, an official at EMI Records says.

One of the recordings, "How do you do it" — which the "fab four" decided not to issue because they considered it lacked sales potential — was a No. 1 hit in Britain for another group, Gerry and the Pacemakers.

The other, "Leave my Kitten Alone" — whose release was rumored year — was originally intended for the Beatles' first album, but

was finally omitted. Both songs were recorded late in 1962 as the Beatles — John Lennon, Paul McCartney, George Harrison and Ringo Starr — were beginning to take off.

No fresh Beatles' material has been released since their last album, *Let it Be*, was issued in March 1970.

Brian Southall, publicity executive at EMI Records, said Friday the two songs were the only useable Beatles' tracks as yet unreleased. The sound quality on both, he said, was "excellent." "We are hopeful that the

records will be available to the public this year," Southall told the Associated Press. "But we are still uncertain whether they will be released as singles or in an album." Southall refused to say in which countries the discs would be available.

Neither of the two songs was written by members of the Beatles. "Leave my Kitten Alone," a 1950's-style rock 'n' roll number, was intended for "Please Please Me" — the Beatles' debut album released early in 1963. "But the group had other songs they had

written themselves and considered preferable," Southall said. "So 'Kitten' was left off." How do you do it, he explained, was originally recorded as a prospective follow-up to "Love Me Do," the Beatles' first hit released in November 1962. But the group decided not to release it.

A few months later, the song was taken to the top of the British charts by Gerry and the Pacemakers, early contemporaries of the Beatles from the same home town of Liverpool.

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Despite Socialist tactics

Western victory seen at Madrid

MADRID, Feb. 13 (AFP) — A clear propaganda victory for the West on the issue of martial law in Poland was among three major developments that marked the reopening here this week of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE).

The conference resumed Tuesday after a two-month recess with a barrage of angry and determined indictments by Western delegation leaders including U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig and West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher. They were followed Friday by French and British foreign ministers, Claude Cheysson and Lord Carrington.

The officials all hammered away at the same theme: that the arrests, internments, the use of force, and the curtailment of freedom by Warsaw violated the spirit and letter of the Helsinki agreements. The CSCE was convened to monitor implementation of these 1975 accords, as well as develop new proposals to further détente. Participants in the 35-nation meeting are European coun-

tries, with the exception of Albania, Canada and the United States.

The Western victory was compounded by a failure on the part of the temporary Polish chairman of the meeting, Josef Wleciak, to stop the flow of accusations through procedural maneuvers. It was widely thought that the Socialist bloc's recourse to such a tactic alienated what remaining goodwill there was among other delegations.

The tactic so angered Canadian Foreign Minister Marc MacGuigan that when chairman Wleciak at one point proposed a 20-minute coffee break, he asked sarcastically: "Twenty minutes, Mr. Chairman. 21, 22 or should it be 23?"

An equally furious Cheysson termed the Polish attitude "deplorable and burlesque". Norwegian Foreign Minister Sven Stray countered the Polish reproach of Western meddling in what it called the purely domestic business of a sovereign Poland with the tart remark: "Our only interference consists in granting your country credits."

The extent of the bitterness on both sides — Poland notably complained that foreign broadcasts were telling Poles how to organize resistance — highlighted the achievement of Austrian chief delegate Franz Ceska and his high-powered Soviet counterpart Leonid Ilychev who, after 48 hours of painstaking negotiations, succeeded in keeping the conference open. At stake appeared the whole future of the détente forum, which is not half as esoteric as it sometimes seems from its legalistic language and periodic bouts of hairsplitting on procedural matters.

At the moment, neutral countries here, with Austria, Sweden, Switzerland and Yugoslavia in the lead, have proposed a document that would ease difficulties for families wishing to reunite between East and West Germany, for British or American businessmen hoping to open offices in Moscow or Budapest, for Czechoslovak or Norwegian newsmen covering conferences in Oslo or Bucharest, and for radio and television stations in Sofia or Brussels intent on beaming a program from the other half of Europe.

On Chile murder

U.S. film raises controversy

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WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 — The Reagan administration is sensitive over a new motion picture which portrays U.S. complicity in murder and the violent coup in Chile in 1973.

Missing, a new film based on the true story of an American free-lance journalist who was killed in Chile in 1973 opened to generally favorable reviews in major U.S. cities Friday. But the State Department is not nearly as enthusiastic as the movie reviewers. Two days before the film's release, the State Department issued a three-page statement defending its part in the story depicted on the screen, obviously sensitive to some of the political aspects of the film's plot.

Missing, directed by Greek-born French director Costa-Gavras (renowned for other political thrillers including *Z*, *The Confession*, and *State of Siege*), concerns the story of Charles Horman, a radical American journalist who was murdered in Chile during the overthrow of the Salvador Allende regime. The man's father, Edmund Horman (played by popular American actor Jack Lemmon) traveled to the South American country in a futile search for his son, and later with his son's wife, brought suit against the U.S. government.

The State Department paper cites investigations of the episode in which it claims no evidence was found linking U.S. government personnel to Horman's death. Likewise, it reads, "no evidence was found by the CIA to support the Horman's contention that agency personnel had advance knowledge of the abduction or of the subsequent death of Charles Horman."

Eventually, it was learned that Horman's had been rounded up and killed with hundreds of Chilean left-wing activists following the Allende coup. Washington officials who were part of the Horman controversy have been quoted in American newspapers this week denying inferences of the story (based on the book *The Execution of Charles Horman* by Thomas Hauser) and condemning the film. Costa-Gavras, the film's director, has been quoted as saying that he believes the State Department overreacted in releasing the statement. "If with the big problems in the world they take this much time (to react to a movie), that is too much."

A State Department spokesman said that the statement about *Missing* was "prepared to answer anticipated questions about the circumstances of the film." And that probably suits the film's producers just fine. If controversial American films in the past are any indication, the added dose of intrigue and abundance of publicity created by the State Department statement will convince more of the public that they should see it. Box office sales will boom, and *Missing* will make a lot of money.

Meanwhile, some 50 persons showed up at the American Film Institute in Washington Thursday night for a special advance screening of *Missing* — but it was not to be found. It seems that the print of the controversial film set aside for the special showing was, instead, given to the White House.

Details of why the showing was canceled and what role the White House played in it are still unclear. The White House press office has refused to answer inquiries about the incident. But according to reports, the White House requested a copy of *Missing* from the film's distributor, Universal Pictures. Reportedly, President Ronald Reagan wanted to take the film to the presidential retreat Camp David this weekend for his own private showing.

London Times titles transferred

LONDON, Feb. 13 (AFP) — Ownership of the titles of the *London Times* and *Sunday Times* has been transferred from Times Newspapers Ltd. to the holding company for interests operated by Australian Press tycoon Rupert Murdoch, journalists on the two papers have said.

The journalists said late Friday that the titles were transferred to News International two months ago. Their statement coincides with moves by Murdoch toward making 600 of the 2,600 work force redundant. The journalists said they were concerned that Mur-

doch might now be able to put the papers into voluntary liquidation and dismiss the staff without making enhanced redundancy payments, although retaining ownership of the titles.

Murdoch bought the papers last year from the Thomson Organization which had made severe operating losses, and had earlier closed the papers for 11 months in an attempt to impose more efficient working practices. In 1981 the two titles lost 15 million pounds (\$27 million) despite increased circulation.

BRIEFS

ROME, (AFP) — Italian President Sandro Pertini will pay an official visit to Japan from March 9 to 15, it was announced here Saturday.

BANGKOK, (AFP) — Indian External Affairs Minister Narasimha Rao has arrived in Hanoi for an official friendship visit, the Vietnam News Agency (VNA) said in a report monitored here Saturday. Rao was met upon his arrival Friday by Vietnamese Foreign Minister Nguyen Co Thach, VNA said.

PEKING, (AFP) — Three Chinese peasants have handed over to the authorities nearly 18 kilos (40 pounds) of gold, worth \$240,000 on the world markets, which they recently dug up during irrigation work, the Canton daily *Yanhsing Wanhsao* reported. Wan Yiquan and his two brothers, from the eastern province of Jiangsu, found the treasure when they were digging trenches to lay water pipes.

PARIS, (AFP) — Seychelles President France Albert Rene arrived here Saturday, on a one-week semi-official visit. An earlier planned visit had been postponed because of an attempted coup by mercenaries in his Indian Ocean nation last Nov. 25.

CARACAS, (AFP) — The Socialist International Movement has postponed a top-level conference scheduled to take place in Venezuela on Feb. 24 and 25 because South American Socialists do not want Nicaragua's pro-Soviet Sandinista Front to attend. The movement's president, former West German Chancellor Willy Brandt, decided to postpone the conference at the written request of the Venezuelan Democratic Action Party (A.D.) and other South American Socialist parties, an A.D. spokesman said Friday.

NEW DELHI, (AFP) — Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi will make official visits to Norway, Sweden, Denmark and Finland in June, the Indian news agency UNI

reported Saturday. Mrs. Gandhi is due to make a four-day visit to London next month for the inauguration of a festival of India jointly sponsored by India and Britain.

BULAWAYO, Zimbabwe, (AFP) — Zimbabwe troops and police have found another arms cache thought to have been hidden by former guerrillas of minority leader Joshua Nkomo's wartime Zimbabwe People's Revolutionary Army (ZIPRA). Police in this southwestern city said Friday that more than 36,000 rounds of ammunition and 124 rocket-propelled grenades had been unearthed in the forest near Kenmaur, 150 kms northwest of Bulawayo.

SEOUL, (AFP) — Relations between South Korea and France are expected to strengthen when Foreign Minister Lho Shin-K starts an official visit to France on Feb. 22, the first of its kind since the two countries established diplomatic relations ten years ago. Press reports here said Lho was expected to push for a state visit by President Chun Doo-Hwan to France, when he meets President Francois Mitterrand in Paris on Feb. 23.

TOKYO, (AP) — Takashi Shimura, a veteran film actor who was one of internationally known movie director Akira Kurosawa's favorite players, died of pulmonary emphysema in a Tokyo hospital Thursday, intimate friends said Saturday. He was 76. Shimura appeared in *Rashomon*, *Drunken Angel*, *To Live*, and *Seven Samurai*, and was considered one of the pillars that gave warmth, humor and passion to Kurosawa's movies.

HOLLYWOOD, (AP) — Victor Jory, veteran villain of dozens of movies and a taciturn stage actor, was found dead in his Santa Monica apartment Friday. He died of an apparent heart attack the night before. The Alaska-born actor was a familiar face to film audiences for more than four decades.

Instructions to army

Deng reappears in press

PEKING, Feb. 13 (AFP) — Deputy Communist Party Chairman Deng Xiaoping reappeared in the columns of the Chinese press Saturday after disappearing from public view since Jan. 12.

Newspapers reported he has made statements on the need for streamlining the Chinese administration and stepping up reforestation. But an official spokesman said he did not know the whereabouts of Deng. The radio and the biggest newspaper, the *People's Daily*, said Deng, 77, issued an order to the armed forces to do more work for reforestation. (He is chairman of the party's military commission.)

Observers believed it was significant that his first sign of activity in more than a month took the form of instructions to the 4.5 million men of the People's Liberation Army. He is considered the strong man of post-Mao China. The English-language *China Daily* also quoted him as saying the current "streamlining" of the Chinese administration was "another revolution."

The paper said Deputy Premier Bo Yibo reported this statement by Deng in an interview. Bo, 74, said this "streamlining" was not a "purge": "This is entirely groundless. A considerable number of old cadres will be retired from active duty. Some will move back to what we call the second line, i.e. to serve as advisers. Others, those who are too old and physically too frail to do work, will be moved to the third line, that is, full

retirement."

According to reports circulating in this capital, tens of thousands of cadres deemed incompetent or unreliable politically will be ousted. The newspapers did not specify when Deng made his statements. Deng's prolonged absence from public view has prompted conjecture about his health and doubts his political position.

The government stated Thursday that Deng, dismissed twice by the late party Chairman Mao, retains all his posts. This would seem to indicate that his power has not been eroded.

The rumors about Deng were spurred a few days ago by Deputy Premier Wan Li. He said the deputy chairman had moved from the "first line" to the "second line" of leadership, and he stressed his old age. Wan said Deng was in excellent health but had gone to southern China to rest. The deputy premier did not say if he had come back to Peking. But a pro-Communist newspaper in Hong Kong, the *Wen Wei Po*, has just reported that Deng has indeed returned after — 10 days in Canton.

The statement by Deng on reorganizing the administration that Bo quoted might have been taken from a speech the Chinese leader is believed to have made last month at a secret meeting of the party's politburo. His speech reportedly has been read by officials at meetings in a number of enterprises in Peking.

Irish poll campaign heats up

DUBLIN, Feb. 13 (AFP) — Ireland's electoral campaign less than a week before polling day is turning increasingly into a duel between outgoing Prime Minister Garret Fitzgerald and his Fianna Fail opposition predecessor Charles Haughey.

The personal bias of the electioneering can be expected to reach a peak next Tuesday night when the two leaders hold the first ever television debate in the republic. Observers here expected their face-to-face session, just two days before election day Thursday, to be of crucial importance. Although Dr. Fitzgerald's centrist Fine Gael Party is practically neck and neck in opinion polls with Fianna Fail, his personal rating is way ahead of Haughey's — 55 percent to 25 percent.

The Fitzgerald government was forced to call the elections when its Draconian budget was narrowly defeated in parliament last month. Friday night Haughey presented his

alternative — but it differed little from the outgoing government's, apart from some relaxation of the most unpopular measures such as big value-added tax increases on clothing and footwear.

Northern Ireland has made only a late foray into the campaign. Sinn Fein, the political wing of the provisional Irish Republican Army (IRA), has put up seven candidates, but the government has refused them access to the national radio and TV network, citing legislation banning the broadcasting media from carrying the views of those advocating violence in pursuit of political aims.

The prime minister has furthermore urged a revision of the Irish Republic's constitution which it is felt would enable the Protestants of Northern Ireland to envisage a rapprochement with the south. Haughey opposes such a revision.

S. Africans stage march defying law

JOHANNESBURG, Feb. 13 (AP) — More than 2,000 blacks waving African National Congress banners staged an illegal five-mile (8-km) march through Johannesburg Saturday just ahead of the funeral procession of labor leader Neil Aggett.

The marchers shouted "Botha is a terrorist," a reference to Prime Minister P. W. Botha, and tore down election posters of the ruling National Party. Although the march was illegal — South Africa's "riotous assembly law" bans gatherings of two or more persons — police made no attempt to stop the black protesters.

The unprecedented march from the downtown St. Mary's Anglican Cathedral, site of Aggett's funeral, wound through the plush whites-only suburbs of northern Johannesburg to West Park cemetery. Aggett, a union organizer for a black union, was found hanged in his cell in Johannesburg's police headquarters Feb. 4, the first white to die in police detention. His death sparked a week of protests.

Security police in camouflage uniforms made one brief appearance along the march route but did not intervene. It was the first time in memory that blacks had defied the law and gathered illegally in a whites-only area. Aggett's father, Aubrey, said: "I am stunned. It's incredible." His car and others in the procession were delayed in reaching the cemetery because of the protest.

David Webster, a member of the Parents Support Committee working on behalf of people detained without trial under South Africa's security laws, said: "We told the police we were going to take the buses in a procession to the cemetery. But the marching just happened. It was spontaneous." The banned ANC is the major group trying to overthrow the white-minority government.

At the funeral service, union leader Jan Theron said further nationwide work stoppages would be called if police continued to harass black labor unions. Theron blamed the police for Aggett's death. Several thousand mourners packed the cathedral for the service for the former Transvaal province secretary of the African Food and Canning Workers Union. The outpouring of support followed a week of protest, including a 30-minute work stoppage Thursday by an estimated 70,000 workers.



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Despite outcry over deficit

Regan rules out cut in defense, tax hike

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (R) — Treasury Secretary Donald Regan has said that taxes would not be increased or defense spending cut to reduce U.S. government deficits, which West European nations believe pose a threat to a revival of the economy.

"The president has not changed his mind that too much spending is bad for the economy," Regan told a news conference in Washington. Referring to an envisaged deficit of \$91.5 billion in the 1983 financial year, he said: "I think it can be handled."

Concern about the deficit projected by President Reagan's administration, and an expectation that it would keep American interest rates high while bolstering the dollar as an investment, has been expressed by authorities in Western Europe.

The West German mark fell to a five-month low against the dollar Friday as Karl Otto Poehl, president of the Bundesbank, West Germany's central bank, said enormous U.S. defense spending and big tax cuts would result in a huge budget deficit that would either keep American interest rates extremely higher boost inflation.

In London, British government officials told Reuters that Finance Minister Sir Geoffrey Howe saw no prospect for concerted international action to reduce world interest rates, or a move to insulate other countries from the effects of present U.S. policy.

Sir Geoffrey, the chancellor of the exchequer, told parliament Thursday — when France lowered some of its interest rates — that it was important for Western Europe to make plain to Washington "our concern about the level of their prospective budget deficit implications for interest rates around the world."

But one British official said Friday that "coordinated international action on interest rates is not our style." Another said: "It just so happens that we, unlike the United States, are trying to keep a grip on our budget deficit."

In Washington, Regan said that figures released Friday showing a slight acceleration in U.S. wholesale prices "is a strong signal that inflation is going to stay down."

This would cause U.S. interest rates to fall in the spring and "it should serve to strengthen the backbone of some of my Wall Street friends who have been skeptical about the drop in inflation," Regan said. He rejected suggestions that large deficits caused inflation, now running at an annual rate of 8.9 percent.

The government was concerned about the deficits "but we do not share the depth of the concern displayed in Congress. The Federal Reserve Board, the U.S. central bank, later announced that the amount of money in circulation in the United States rose \$2.3 billion in the week to Feb. 3.

GM borrows \$2 billion to modernize

DETROIT, Feb. 13 (AFP) — General Motors, the world's biggest car manufacturer, raised long-term loans of nearly \$2 billion last year to help finance its modernization program, the company has announced.

GM's long-term loans stood at \$3.8 billion on Dec. 31, compared to \$1.9 billion at the end of 1980. Most of last year's loans were raised abroad.

The company, which made a \$333 million profit last year, said in a communique that it boosted investment by 25 percent in 1981 to \$9.7 billion. But at the end of the year it still had important lines of unused credit — \$3.6 billion at short-term and \$1.1 billion at long-term.

Craze for video sweeps Hungary

BUDAPEST, Feb. 13 (AFP) — Hungary is experiencing a video-recorder craze and two papers here Saturday argued that the production on license, or import, of video equipment could be of great advantage to education.

Tape recorders, color televisions and household electrical equipment are generally in good supply in Hungary, but Hungarians who return from abroad are envied if they bring video equipment with them.

The two articles urged officials responsible for industry and commerce to act in improving the situation.

Wall Street

Gaping budget deficit sends shares tumbling

NEW YORK, Feb. 13 — The securities markets of Wall Street are giving new evidence of the trepidation investors feel in the face of gaping U.S. government budget deficits.

In the days immediately following President Ronald Reagan's official estimates of the fiscal gap for this year and next, stock prices sank to their lowest levels in more than four months.

Analysts said the Reagan projections, issued last weekend, of a \$98.6 billion deficit in the current fiscal year and \$91.5 billion for the year that begins Oct. 1, were scary in themselves. On top of that, many forecasters both inside and outside the government maintained that the administration's calculation of the likely gap between federal receipts and outlays was probably too optimistic.

The Congressional Budget office recently estimated a deficit \$109 billion for fiscal 1982. On Wednesday, Henry Kaufman, economist at Salmon Brothers Inc., said it was likely that the official projection for 1983

"will be significantly surpassed."

For one thing, he said, the Reagan budget assumes strong economic growth, which in Kaufman's view "is unlikely to materialize." Further, he contended, "Congress will not acquiesce to all the expenditure and revenue proposals required to limit the deficit to the official forecast."

Faced with such warnings, the Dow Jones industrial average continued its early-1982 decline in the past week, falling 17.22 to 833.81. The average's close of 830.57 Tuesday was its lowest since it finished at 824.01, which in turn marked a 16-month low, last Sept. 25.

Other readings for the week showed the New York stock exchange composite index down 1.70 to 66.09, and the American stock exchange market value index off 10.51 to 275.00.

Big Board Volume averaged 46.67 million shares a day, against 49.89 million the week before.

One of Wall Street's biggest worries about

U.S. panel discounts return to gold standard

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (R) — The U.S. Gold Commission has ruled out recommending that the United States return to the gold standard abandoned in 1933.

The commission was set up to study whether the United States should return to the system under which its money could be exchanged for gold. Although it opposed a return to the gold standard the commission, with Reagan administration support recommended minting new gold coins to attract people who have been exchanging their dollars for foreign gold.

The group, created by Congress to study the role of gold in the U.S. and international monetary system, is chaired by Treasury Secretary Donald Regan. Its panel includes representatives of the Federal Reserve Board and the president's council of economic advisers.

By a 9-8 vote, the commission agreed that returning to the gold standard would not be an effective way to combat inflation.

When asked whether the vote meant the commission had rejected a gold standard or backing the dollar with gold chief presidential economic adviser Murray Weidenbaum said: "I would say so for the present time."

Instead of recommending a return to gold, the commission asked Congress and the Federal Reserve Board, the U.S. central bank, to study better ways of controlling the money supply. In recommending the new gold coin, all three administration members of the commission, including Regan, backed the plan.

The action, which would need congressional approval, caused one member.

Recommends minting of coins

Democratic Congress Henry Reuss, to walk out of the meeting in protest.

He said the treasury had "caved in to the gold lobby" by enforcing a coin free from U.S. capital gains taxes. Reuss, chairman of the Joint Congressional Economic Committee, said the coin would be "giving speculators a free ride in undermining the dollar." President Franklin Roosevelt officially ended the gold standard in 1933 and the U.S. severed its last link between the dollar and gold in 1971 when President Nixon prohibited foreign holders of dollars from converting them to gold.

The commission voted 12-3 on Friday to advise Congress to pass a law telling the Treasury Department "to issue a gold-backed coin of specified weights and without dollar denomination or legal-tender status, to be manufactured from its existing stock of gold and to be sold at a small-up over the market value of the gold content and that the coin shall be exempt from capital-gains tax and sales tax."

Spot oil prices continue to decline

ROTTERDAM, Feb. 13 (R) — The spot crude oil market, the oil industry's barometer of price trends, continued to weaken this week with supplies far in excess of demand and buyers showing little interest, market sources said.

One trader said Saudi Arabian light, the most-prized crude, was being quoted as low as \$30.55 a barrel, well below the official Saudi Arabian contract price of \$34. The latest figure compared with \$32 a barrel last week and \$34.30 four weeks ago.

Other operators said this week's decision by the state-owned British National Oil Corporation (BNOC) to cut North Sea oil prices by \$1.50 a barrel was putting added pressure on Arab producers.

One said he expected further cuts of up to \$1.50 for North Sea oil in the coming weeks. Others said many operators believed that the short-term outlook for crude oil and oil products was bleak, with no sign of an end to the world glut or the steady decline in prices.

In another development on the oil front, the East Germany's Communist Party leader Erich Honecker said Friday the East Germans in non-essential industries must expect to face severe cuts in petrol supplies.

Honecker told a meeting of regional Communist Party chiefs and politburo members in East Berlin that the problem was "simply that one cannot use more oil than one has." Since the continually rising needs

of the population must be satisfied and medical and other supply vehicles must be kept on the roads, as a result consumption in other areas must not just be reduced but quite decisively cut, he said.

Reductions in petrol supplies of nearly 60 percent have been reported by sources in industries which could be considered non-essential, because they do not provide basic living materials or gain hard currency from exports.

Commission recommendations are to be put by the end of next month before Congress for consideration.

Air India records 38% growth rate

NEW DELHI, Feb. 13 (AFP) — The Indian international carrier, Air India, achieved a record growth rate of 38 percent and expects to show a profit of 100 million rupees (about \$11 million) in the financial year ending in March, it was reported here Saturday.

Tourism and Civil Aviation Minister A.P. Sharma attributed the growth of Air India — despite the general slump in the international airline business. The minister also disclosed that Air India was planning to purchase three B-4 Airbus aircraft, instead of the Tri-Star which is now out of production. It was proposed to use the Airbus on the Singapore and Gulf routes, he added.

Mystery buying keeps tin dealers on edge

LONDON, Feb. 13 (AP) — A mystery buyer who pushed up the price of tin by nearly 50 percent in just over a year despite falling industrial demand for the metal because of world recession is keeping dealers on the London metal exchange guessing.

They said lack of demand among buyers depressed prices Friday but that for the last 14 months tin generally has been spiraling. Prices for tin for immediate delivery rocketed from around 6,000 pounds (\$11,100) a metric ton in December 1980 to nearly 9,000 pounds (\$16,650) now.

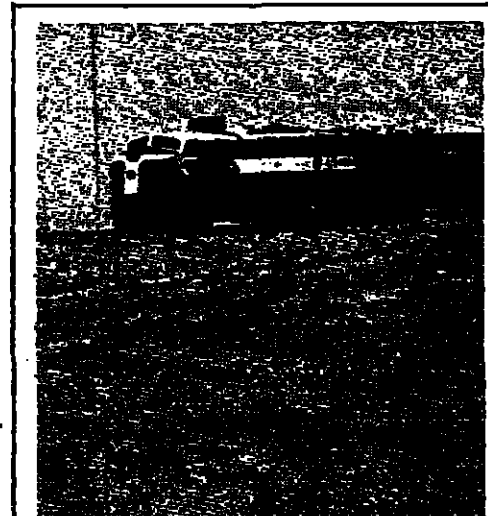
Friday's price was 8,730 pounds (\$16,150) against 8,945 pounds (\$16,548) Thursday.

Dealers said stocks of tin held in London metal exchange warehouses reached a record 21,000 metric tons Friday.

Saudi business



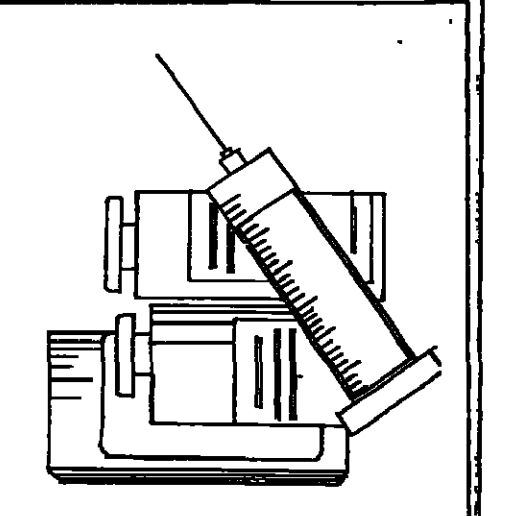
Read this week in SAUDI BUSINESS



Gulf states are on the track toward a high-speed railway line from Iraq to Oman, linking up with an expanded rail network within Saudi Arabia. A West German firm has prepared plans, and the Gulf Cooperation Council will take them up at future meetings. Page 25



Arab air carriers may be better off than most, but they are nevertheless affected by skyrocketing costs. The 16th annual general assembly of the Arab Air Carriers Organization agreed on new inter-airline ventures to meet the challenges ahead. Page 8



Jeddah is the site for what is claimed to be the Kingdom's first intravenous solutions plant. An SR44 million venture with a West German firm, it will begin marketing glucose and other medical solutions in June. Page 31

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the deficit is its potential impact on supply and demand in the credit markets, and hence on interest rates.

The pessimistic view holds that the huge borrowing needs of the federal government will absorb most of the savings available for lending, thus leaving credit scarce and costly for the private sector.

With funds hard to come by, many business will presumably have to postpone expansion plans, cut back on current operations, and in some cases be driven into worse financial straits than those in which they already find themselves.

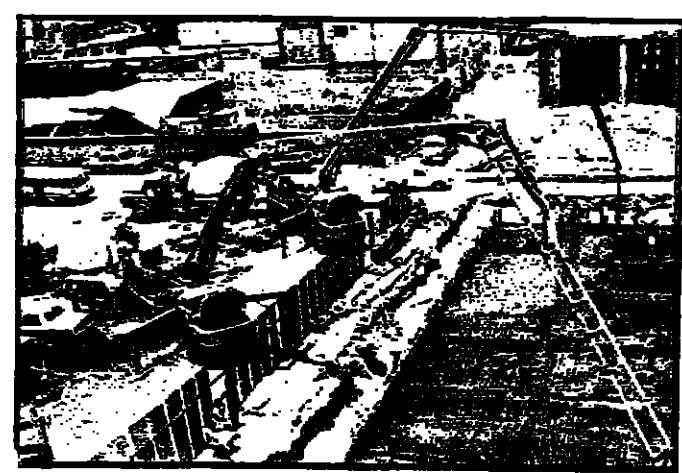
"The difficulties posed by these budgetary

projections are many — both to the financial markets and to the economy," said Kaufman. "Moreover, reversing these fiscal imbalances will be extremely difficult, because what appears a significant cutback, for example in defense, is small by comparison with the total deficit."

"The path back to fiscal stability will be cumbersome — and painful for all." In contrast to Kaufman's views, however, there are some observers who believe talk of triple-digit deficits is overstated. The Reagan administration, they argue, may have encouraged this pessimism for political reasons, to apply pressure on Congress to narrow the deficit by approving more cuts in federal spending.

"Recall last year," said Jeffrey Applegate at the firm of Smith Barney, Harris Upham and Co., "That the administration projected a 'good news' economic scenario to help sell the tax and spending reduction program to Congress. "In a purely political sense, that scenario did its work in getting Congress to approve most of what the president requested — though, of course, it was improbable that the economy would ever really unfold as predicted."

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Over license issue

Laker may scrap airline plan

LONDON, Feb. 13 (AP) — Sir Freddie Laker threatened Friday to scrap plans to launch a new airline with industrialist "tiny" Rowland if the Civil Aviation Authority delays renewing his operating licenses.

The receivers called in last week after the financial collapse of Laker Airways, meanwhile, laid off 1,700 of the busted airline's 2,600 staff. The fired staff are hoping to get jobs on the new airline that Laker and Rowland said Thursday they hope to launch next April.

Laker described the sackings as "ghastly, frightening" and said: "It means that we have to get our licenses immediately so we can start to employ some of them." Asked what would happen if it took three or four months

Mubarak seeks economic reform

CAIRO, Feb. 13 (AP) — President Hosni Mubarak told Egypt's leading economists Saturday that the national interest demands "practical steps" to boost production and the living standard of the country's lower classes.

In a crisp 15-minute speech typical of the former military man, the 53-year-old president opened a long-promised economic conference which he said was designed to lay down a strategy to balance the nation's production and consumption.

Egypt's economy, badly damaged by four wars with Israel, has become heavily dependent on foreign aid. The economic liberalization policy under the late President Anwar Sadat had flooded the market with imported goods and widened the visible gap between the nation's poor and rich leading to sharp criticism from opposition groups.

to get the licenses renewed, Laker said: "Then there will not be any airline. It has to be done immediately."

He denied he was bluffing, saying: "It is people's livelihoods we are talking about, and I do not play cards or brinkmanship with people's livelihoods."

The CAA licenses granted to Laker to operate routes across the Atlantic and elsewhere are scheduled to be suspended Wednesday following last Friday's announcement of the collapse of Laker Airways. It owed 210 million pounds (\$388.5 million) to a consortium of 27 international banks.

The staff being kept on by the busted airline are to ensure maintenance of aircraft and other key operations. The proposed new Laker-Rowland airline must have licenses to operate. From Laker's point of view, simple renewal of the Laker Airways licenses is the best solution. Applications for new licenses for the proposed airline would involve lengthy CAA public hearings and a delay of several months before any decision was made.

Meanwhile, there is fierce competition among rival airlines to take over the Laker Airways license and thereby Laker routes. British Caledonian, for example, has formally notified the CAA that it will apply for Laker's license to fly between Britain and Los Angeles.

The London Times predicted that Laker's

rivals are certain to oppose his application for renewal of his licenses "on the ground that he is no longer a fit and proper person." John Smith, trade spokesman for the opposition Labor Party, demanded a government inquiry into the collapse of Laker Airways before the CAA considers licenses for the proposed new airline.

Laker said Thursday after an initial meeting with the CAA that "licensing is the main stumbling block at the moment." Laker, whose no frills airline pioneered cheap air travel, spent Friday morning in talks with Rowland, 64-year-old head of the London-based Lorbio mining and trading empire.

Laker, 59, said Thursday that he and Rowland, a friend of 25 years standing, planned to form a 50-50 partnership to operate a restructured "people's airline."

Rowland whose giant business empire posted pre-tax profits of 120.6 million pounds (\$223.1 million) for last year, said the proposed new airline would operate low-cost trans-Atlantic flights with 10 DC-10s along the lines of Laker Airways.

He said the proposed new airline would be wholly British and said its planes would carry the name "Laker" on the tail and "people's Airline" on the body. Press reports said Rowland planned to pump an initial 15 to 20 million pounds (\$27.75 to 37 million) into the project.

Italy acts to bar immigrants

ROME, Feb. 13 (AP) — The Italian government, seeking to stem a flood of immigrants from Africa and Asia, proposed stiff fines Saturday for employers who recruit or hire foreigners lacking work documents.

More than 500,000 foreigners are working

illegally in Italy, according to government estimates. Many come from north Africa, the Philippines, taking low-paying jobs like dishwashers, housemaids and farm helpers.

Under a bill approved by the cabinet and sent to parliament, anyone who recruits foreigners to work illegally would face a jail sentence of one to four years, and a fine of 2 million to 10 million lire (\$1,600 to \$8,000) for each foreigner recruited.

Employers who hire foreigners illegally would face imprisonment of three months to a year, and a fine of 1 million to 5 million lire (\$800 to 4,000), for each worker.

For foreigners working legally in Italy, the bill would guarantee equal treatment with Italians, make it easier to bring spouses and children from native countries and provide Italian language courses.

In Italy, it's illegal to hire a foreigner from outside the European Economic Community if an Italian or other EEC citizen could perform the task.

Staff strike halts flights at Heathrow

LONDON, Feb. 13 (R) — British Airways long-distance services from London's Heathrow Airport came to a halt Saturday as union officials argued over a proposed formula to end a five-day strike by the airline's 2,000 ground staff.

Representatives of the state-owned airways and officials of Britain's biggest union, the Transport and General Workers, reached an agreement Friday night to end the strike over rostering, a British Airways spokesman said.

But Ken Gallacher, an official of another union representing ground staff, said: "We believe this could well be a ploy by the management."

All British Airways intercontinental services, including those of the supersonic Concorde airliner, were suspended while the unions debated whether to accept the formula. There were fears the strike could spread to other airlines if tanker drivers and aircraft maintenance men refused to cross picket lines.

UNCTAD urges aid to poor states

GENEVA, Feb. 13 (R) — A United Nations committee has agreed that urgent action is needed to assist developing countries counter a massive shortfall from commodities earnings.

The 100-member committee of the U.N. Commission on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), ending two weeks of talks on the subject Friday night, called on governments to negotiate further effective international commodity agreements. It also asked member countries to speed up ratification of the U.N. agreement setting up a common fund aimed at financing buffer stocks to stabilize world prices for raw materials.

UNCTAD officials deplored the fact that the integrated program for commodities, launched in 1976, had resulted in only one additional agreement, for natural rubber, while only 20 countries had so far ratified the common fund agreement.

The committee was told that Third World current accounts deficits this year would be even higher than last year's record \$100 billion and could total \$186 billion over the present decade.

Nepal dreams of zooming into satellite age

KATHMANDU, Feb. 13 (Depthnews) — Nepal plans to depend heavily on sophisticated communications technology to bring isolated Nepalese villagers into the mainstream of the modern world.

The visionary plan has yet to take a precise shape, but an outline appears to have been etched in the minds of Nepal's communications planners. In broadcasting, a 130-million-rupee (\$10 million) project is already underway to establish a countrywide medium wave network that will enable poor villagers to tune into the world using a cheap radio set. Television is also on its way in Nepal, but how much of it will cater to the rural areas is still uncertain.

Newspaper publishers are looking forward to printing simultaneous editions in different parts of the country with the help of facsimile machines. Once implemented, these plans will be an improvement over current communications facilities. These have proven inefficient and impotent to cope with the increased demand.

The need for improvement of Nepal's communications network is great since it will eventually provide an important foundation to the country's massive rural development projects. It is only through the improvement of these communications facilities that the villagers' voices can be heard and their participation in the development process ensured. At the same time, extension work-

ers have to be re-oriented to be able to make better use of improved communications facilities at the field.

These sophisticated communications technologies naturally need hefty funding. But Nepal's communications officials seem unfazed by their funding needs, saying they will be banking on "friendly donors." The biggest problem that Nepal will face, they say, will be the management and continued growth of the country's communications network.

Nepal's managerial confidence will be put to test when its first communication satellite earth station will be ready by 1983. The Cable and Wireless Company of Hong Kong has asked the Nepalese government to let it run the satellite services. However, the government is undecided whether to operate it by itself or to hand it over to a foreign company.

This British-aided project provides a Standard Beam station to Nepal. It will allow Nepal to use up to 60 channels to telephone connections from the INTELSAT hovering 36,210 kilometers above the equator. Nepal will then have direct telephone link with the countries lying between Japan and the United Kingdom through the satellite. At the moment, Kathmandu is poorly connected with Hong Kong, Tokyo, Rawalpindi, Dacca and Calcutta by high frequency radio.

With the new satellite facility, the interna-

Financial Roundup

Dollar chalks up more gains

By J.H. Hammond

JEDDAH, Feb. 13 — The dollar closed the trading week on a strong note with Eurodollar deposit rates rising by more than 1/4 percent in some instances. The boost in the dollar's value came after the release of the weekly U.S. money supply figures showing a rise in the M1 measurement of \$2.3 billion as well as a general acceptance now by the money markets that U.S. dollar interest rates were definitely on the upturn. President Reagan in a weekend comment was quoted as saying that he did not foresee the possibility of reducing military expenditure or raising taxes to ease the federal budget situation. He did, however, favor the reduction of social security benefit payments. On Friday, the Wall Street firm of Salomon Brothers issued a statement in which they were pessimistic about whether President Reagan would achieve his 1983 budget deficit figure.

In the bullion markets gold traded within a narrow range Friday, and closed slightly weaker at \$378 in New York. In the local markets, rial deposit rates opened firm Saturday and went higher by close of the trading session with one month rates now averaging at 15 1/2 — 16 1/4 percent.

Once again, the rise in the money supply figures was a prime catalyst for pushing up Eurodollar deposit rates. The one month rate closed firm at 16 1/4 — 16 3/4 percent Friday — up by 1/4 percent, despite Federal

Reserve Board "Fed Fund" rates closing at 12 percent levels from 16 percent levels reached earlier Friday. In the longer tenors, the one year dollar deposit rate is now quoted at 16 3/16 — 16 5/16 percent and European dealers were optimistic to see further increases Monday despite the closure of the New York bourses on that in celebration of Lincoln's birthday.

In the exchange markets, the British pound fell back to 1.8350 levels after managing to stay at the 1.84185 levels all week. The French franc fell to 6.0420 levels and the Swiss franc to 1.9150 from 1.9010 earlier Friday. In other currency news, the German mark weakened to 2.3880 and even reached the 2.400 level at one stage, with the president of the Bundesbank gloomily admitting that the Europeans seem to have little control over the rising Eurodollar interest rates. The Japanese yen was also some 100 points weaker at 238.50 on Friday.

In the local markets, spot rial/dollar rates opened at 3.4200-10 but later rose to 3.4205-15 in some sharp initial trading with the OBU's — offshore booking units — building up their dollar positions. In the money markets, rial deposit rates opened at firm levels compared to Thursday rates, and rose by another 1/4 to 1/2 percent by close of Saturday trading. Week fixed funds are now at 15 1/2 — 16 1/4 percent and one year at 15 1/2 — 15 3/4 percent. The week fixed rate was 14 — 15 percent Thursday.

Bankers near accord on Polish debt

BONN, Feb. 13 (AFP) — There are signs that substantial progress has been made toward rescheduling part of Poland's debts to Western banks although talks on government-backed loans remain stalled, informed sources in Frankfurt and Bonn have said.

The private bank talks have continued despite martial law and western sanctions against Poland and the Soviet Union.

Sources made a distinction between credits made to Warsaw by Western banks without any official guarantee, and bank credits underwritten by Western states or loans made directly by Western governments.

Contacts between Polish officials and western bankers resumed Dec. 15, two days after the imposition of martial law. The sources said that the talks on a scheme for the rescheduling — or the delayed repayment — of unsecured bank loans was progressing well.

Talks in Paris between Polansu and the main Western official creditors concerning moratorium for repayments have, however, been suspended.

According to a Polish document dated Dec. 31, 1980 which was used last year by Poland in its negotiations with Western banks and officials, Warsaw's debts to the West then totaled \$23 billion, of which 80,350 million were in guaranteed loans.

In 1981, Poland was due to pay \$6.6 billion of which \$3.5 billion was for guaranteed loans, and along with it is due to pay \$5.7 billion, including \$2.7 billion for guaranteed credits.

Poland has produced no plan, although the Polish delegation at the last meeting it attended in Paris in November reviewed its 1982 liabilities upwards.

On Jan. 9, Polish government spokesman Jerzy Urban put the total debt to the West at \$26 billion on Dec. 31, 1981. But Warsaw has not confirmed this figure to its creditors.

Foreign Exchange Rates

Quoted at 7:30 p.m. Saturday	SAMA	Cash	Transfer
Bahraini Dinar	—	9.00	9.08
Bank of England	—	—	12.50
Belgian Franc (1,000)	—	—	282.00
Canadian Dollar	—	—	143.75
Deutsche Mark (100)	143.75	143.00	130.80
Dutch Guilder (100)	131.25	130.80	3.92
Egyptian Pound	3.50	3.92	93.15
Emirate Dirham (100)	85.00	85.00	56.60
French Franc (100)	57.00	56.60	55.85
Greek Drachma (1,000)	52.50	55.85	37.25
Indian Rupee (100)	—	—	—
Iranian Rial (100)	—	—	—
Israeli Lira (10,000)	6.50	—	—
Italian Lira (10,000)	27.20	27.20	14.40
Japanese Yen (1,000)	—	—	9.89
Jordanian Dinar	10.00	11.99	69.55
Kuwaiti Dinar	12.05	69.55	62.40
Lebanese Lira (100)	70.00	62.40	32.05
Moroccan Dirham (100)	59.00	—	41.80
Pakistani Rupee (100)	—	—	6.35
Philippines Peso (100)	—	—	94.00
Pound Sterling	6.35	6.29	161.95
Qatari Riyal (100)	94.00	94.00	34.30
Singapore Dollar (100)	—	—	179.75
Spanish Peseta (1,000)	—	—	58.00
Swiss Franc (100)	179.75	179.30	63.50
Syrian Lira (100)	58.00	63.50	—
Turkish Lira (1,000)	3.4275	3.422	—
U.S. Dollar	75.00	74.90	—
Yemeni Riyal (100)	—	—	—

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Western Province Municipal and Rural Affairs Department	Maintenance of Rabegh streets	53/M	200	22-2-82
Ministry of Municipal and Rural Affairs	Maintenance of the ministry's exchange	93	100	27-2-82
"	Improvement and beautification of Arar (asphalted and side-walks)	94	4,000	28-2-82

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5.	Kuznica	Attar	Contra/Gen.	12.2.82
7.	Yannis D	A.A.	Barley	30.1.82
10.	World Trader	Bamaodah	Barley	7.2.82
11.	Olympiakos	Gulf	Barley	10.2.82
12.	Saudi Enterprise	M.E.S.A.	Gen/Sugar/Tim/Steel	12.2.82
13.	Golden Yembo	El Hawi	Steel/Tim/Gen.	2.2.82
14.	Char Kang	Abdallah	Gen/St/Contra/Tim.	10.2.82
18.	Lama	Rolaco	Bulk Cement	11.2.82
19.	Jill Cord	Al Sabah	Bulk Cement	27.1.82
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39.	Stonewall Jackson	Najd	Gen. (Lash Barges)	10.2.82
40.	Artemon	O.C.E.	Luban	11.2.82
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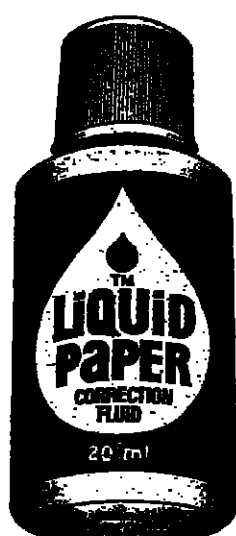
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With a third quarter burst

Spurs down prodigal Lakers

NEW YORK, Feb. 13 (AP) — It was not exactly a pointless period for Los Angeles Lakers .. but it was close.

They managed a measly nine points against San Antonio in the third quarter Friday night — their worst quarter of the season. And the Spurs, behind George Gervin's 27 points, beat Los Angeles 100-94 in a National Basketball Association game.

In other games it was New Jersey 109, Golden State 98; Dallas 103, Seattle 100; Utah 129, Kansas City 114; Phoenix 94, Atlanta 90 and Boston 129, San Diego 116.

Los Angeles led by 15 points late in the second quarter before the Spurs got hot and closed the margin to 52-45 at the half. Then the Lakers really cooled off as San Antonio outscored them 26-9 to take a 71-61 lead going into the final period. "We could not get on track and we can't seem to put away teams after leading by 15 points," said Lakers' Coach Pat Riley. "I think the big difference for us was the third period," said Spurs coach Stan Albeck.

The Lakers got within two points at 96-94 just 22 seconds from the end before Gervin and Mark Olberding sank two free throws apiece for the Spurs to put the game out of the reach of Lakers. Jamaal Wilkes topped the

Lakers with 23 points. Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, benched early because of foul trouble, scored only 10 points for Los Angeles.

Nets 109, Warriors 98: New Jersey, which lost 12 of its first 15 games this season, achieved a plateau of sorts by reaching the 500 mark with a victory over Golden State. Nets' center Len Elmore scored 18 points to back Ray Williams' 22. Golden State managed to close within three points at 99-96 with 3:37 to play before the Nets scored 10 more to grab victory.

Mavericks 103, Sonics 100: Rookie forward Jay Vincent's 38 points, including six in a row to put the game away in the fourth period, helped Dallas post its 15th victory of the season, matching its total number of victories in 1980-81, the Mavericks' first year in the league. Center Jack Sikma led Seattle with 30 points.

Jazz 129, Kings 114: Adrian Dantley's 27 points, plus 21 by Rickey Green and 20 by Darrell Griffith, carried Utah past Kansas City. The Jazz outscored the Kings 15-2 during a three-minute span in the first period to take a 35-21 lead, then made it 72-57 at the half with another 12-2 burst. Larry Drew led the Kings with 17 points.

Suns 94, Hawks 90: Dennis Johnson's 21

points, including one with a decisive foul shot 42 seconds from the final buzzer, helped Phoenix hand Atlanta its eighth consecutive loss. The Suns rallied from an early 10-point deficit to take a 50-44 halftime lead, then opened a margin of 14 points on the third quarter before the Hawks rallied. Wayne "Tree" Rollins led all scorers with 26 points for the Hawks.

Celtics 129, Clippers 116: Cedric "Cornbread" Maxwell pumped in a season-high 31 points against San Diego as Boston halted San Diego and took a one-game lead over Philadelphia in the Atlantic Division. Robert Parish added 24 points for the Celtics. Michael Wiley had a career-high 22 points to lead the Clippers.

Pironi calls for drivers to stand united

LE CASTELLET, South France, Feb. 13 (AFP) — Formula One drivers would be at the "total mercy" of race organizers and team bosses if they give way in the dispute over the



Didier Pironi...to carry on the fight

proposed new super license. French driver Didier Pironi, chairman of the new Professional Racing Drivers' Association said here Friday.

Pironi, who arrived at the circuit here where several racing teams are testing equipment and alterations to their cars Friday, said drivers would also lose all right to self expression if they accepted the International Automobile Federation's (FISA) imposition of fines.

The disagreement was not only about the fines imposed on the drivers after their protest action before the South African Grand Prix, he said, but also about safety on the circuits.

Pironi said a reported agreement Friday by world champion Nelson Piquet of Brazil to pay his fine was a "clumsy manoeuvre" to try and break the unity of the drivers. "But we will stay united whatever happens," he said.

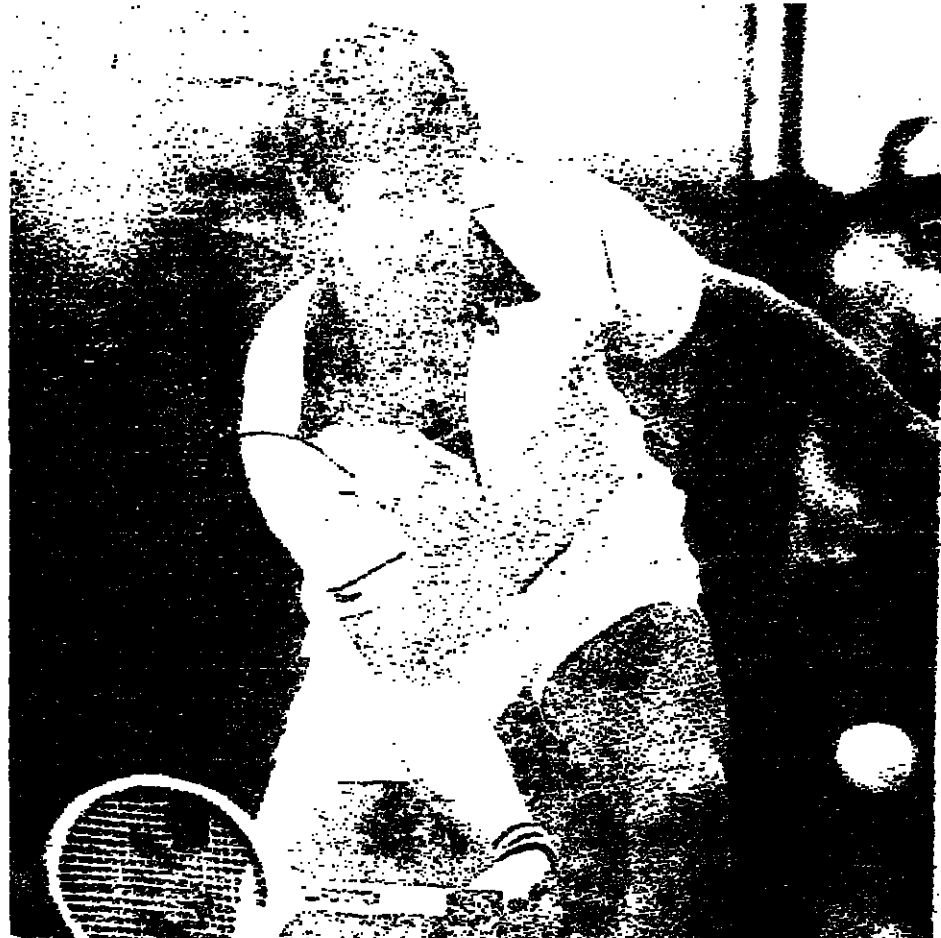
Mikkola sets pace in Swedish Rally

KARLSTAD, Feb. 13 (AFP) — Four wheel drive Audi Quattros looked set to dominate the International Swedish Rally as competitors reached the half way point of the event Saturday.

After ten special stages 1981 winner Hannu Mikkola, of Finland, had a two minute lead over Sweden's Stig Blomqvist. In third place was the Ford Escort of former world rally champion Ari Vatanen and his Belfast co-driver Terry Harryman. Their two wheel drive car had a disadvantage on the melting ice and snow.

Despite his second place, the first half of the Rally was not a happy affair for Blomqvist. On the first special stage his Audi stopped for nearly three minutes with electrical problems and two stages later he was penalized one minute for jumping the start. Blomqvist's problems dropped him near the bottom of the 116 starters in the Rally, but a succession of fastest times rapidly put him up behind Mikkola.

Blomqvist is a master at his country's major Rally having won the event no less than five times. The expected battle for world championship points between Mikkola and Germany's Walter Rohrl did not materialize in the early stages. Rohrl, who won the Monte Carlo Rally four weeks ago, seemed unable to get to grips with the condition and following a time consuming spin on the third stage his Rothmans Opel held only 11th place.



PERFECT PERFORMANCE: Britain's Buster Mottram described his performance as perfect when he upset Eliot Teltscher in the U.S. National Indoor tourney

Meets Clerc in semifinals

Fibak wins extended battle

RICHMOND, Virginia, Feb. 13 (AP) — Top-seeded Jose-Luis Clerc of Argentina has reached the semifinals of the \$300,000 Richmond World Championship Tennis Classic.

Clerc was a 6-4, 6-3 quarterfinal winner Friday night over Tom Cain of Richmond to advance to a meeting Saturday with Wojtek Fibak of Poland. In the first three-set match of the tournament, the Polish star pulled out the second-set tiebreaker against John Sadri and coasted to a 2-6, 7-6, (9-7), 6-1, triumph in a battle of unseeded players that required two hours and produced some of the best tennis of the 17th annual event.

The semifinal pairing in the lower bracket features third-seeded Mark Edmondson of Australia and unseeded Fritz Buehning, both of whom won Thursday. Edmondson and Buehning play the first with Clerc and Fibak to follow. Sunday's best-of-five singles final begins at 2 p.m. with the winner taking home \$100,000 and the loser \$40,000.

With a crowd of about 4,500 backing him, Cain held his own in the first set with Clerc, the world's fifth-ranked player, then let the Argentine gain more control of the match in the latter stages. Cain lost his serve in the fifth game but came right back and broke Clerc's delivery at love to even the set at 3-all. In the seventh game, Cain managed to evade five break points and finally held his serve after nine deuces, giving him a 4-3 edge.

In the ninth game, Cain took a 40-love lead

only to have Clerc get back to deuce. Cain had another game point, but Clerc finally broke serve with a topspin lob that caught Cain at the net. The Argentine Davis Cup hero overcame two break points in the 10th game and took the one-hour set when Cain whipped a backhand wide.

Clerc broke Cain's serve in the third game of the second set to take command of the match. Clerc began to serve stronger in the second set and pounded his ground strokes harder as the match progressed. He scored another service break in the ninth game to end the one hour and 35-minute match.

Sadri had little trouble with Fibak in the opening set, as his big serve was working well. In one game alone, he delivered three aces. He wound up with 12 aces to none for Fibak. After breaking Fibak's serve in the second and eighth games of the first set, Sadri appeared to be headed for his seventh straight victory.

But each player held his serve without much difficulty throughout the second set, leading to the tiebreaker. After falling behind 4-3, Fibak won two points on Sadri's serve and eventually pulled it out 9-7.

Fibak held his serve easily to open the final set, then broke Sadri in the second game as the north Carolinian double faulted at 30-40. Sadri broke his racket in disgust and was never the same thereafter. Hitting strong service returns, Fibak breezed through the final games to close out the match.

Starting stalls to be improved

LONDON, Feb. 13 (AFP) — The British Jockey Club has rejected calls for a new type of starting stall, despite serious accidents caused by existing stalls to jockey's Lester Piggott and Greville Starkey last season.

Piggott almost had an ear torn off when Windsor Boy broke out of the stalls at Epsom, and Starkey suffered severe bruising to his feet when the inappropriately named Laugh-A-Minute burst out of the gate at York.

Instead, the starting stalls committee recommended "radical improvements" to the design currently in use, and to the procedure for preparing horses for the stalls and discipline at the start. Suggested improvements to the stalls design, include additional protective padding, the development of a manual release lock-opener, and a pressure-sensitive Karpov, Andersson in a quick draw

MAR DEL PLATA, Argentina, Feb. 13 (AP) — Hungary's Lajos Portisch defeated Fernando Braga of Argentina in 35 moves Friday to widen his lead after four rounds of the Magistral IV Chess Tournament here.

World champion Anatoly Karpov of Soviet Union drew with Sweden's Ulf Andersson after 19 moves. Karpov shares second place with Jan Timman, who beat Argentina's Oscar Panno in 41 moves. Argentine grandmaster Miguel Najdorf defeated Paraguay's Zenon Franco.

The following games were adjourned: Lev Polugaevsky of the Soviet Union and Argentina's Garcia Palermo; Denmark's Bent Larsen and Argentina's Sergio Giardelli; Argentina's Miguel Quinteros and Yasser Seirawan of the United States. The \$25,000 tournament is sponsored by Buenos Aires' Clarin newspaper. Thirteen rounds are scheduled.

Teltscher, Gerulaitis surprised

MEMPHIS, Tennessee, Feb. 13 (R) — Top-seeded John McEnroe, Johan Kriek of South Africa and American Gene Mayer advanced to the semifinals tonight in the U.S. National Indoor Tennis Championships.

McEnroe defeated fellow-American Roscoe Tanner, the seventh seed 7-6, 6-1, Mayer, seeded third, beat Kevin Curren of South Africa 7-5, 6-1, while Kriek upset fourth-seeded Vitas Gerulaitis 7-6, 4-6, 6-3.

In an earlier match, Buster Mottram of Britain put out second-seeded Eliot Teltscher 6-3, 6-1. Mottram and Kriek will face each other Saturday in one semifinal and McEnroe and Mayer in the other.

Buster Mottram of Britain described his performance as nearly perfect after beating second-seeded American Eliot Teltscher 6-3, 6-1. Mottram, ranked 61st said: "Everything has fallen together beautifully this week." Mottram added: "I didn't hit the ball any better."

Teltscher, ranked seventh in the world, became unsettled in the opening set after disputes with the umpire, and on five occasions appeared to hit the ball at Mottram. "He went for a quick K.O.," Mottram said. "It could be a clever play if you're far behind."

Meanwhile, in Caracas, Venezuela, top-seed Eddie Dibbs of the United States defeated Roger Vasselin of France 6-4, 6-2 Friday in quarterfinal play of the \$75,000 Caracas Grand Prix Tennis Tournament.

In other matches, Raul Ramirez of Mexico beat David Sieglar of the United States 6-2, 6-3, Eric Fromm defeated fellow German Mike Brunner 7-6, 6-4 and Zoltan Kuharky of Hungary beat Freddie Sauer of South Africa 7-5, 7-6. In a doubles match, American Gary Leeds and from defeated Jaime Fillol of Chile and Jose Lopez Maeso of Spain 4-6, 6-3, 6-1.

Soviet swimmers steal the show

MOSCOW, Feb. 13 (AFP) — European champion Robertas Julpa of the Soviet Union set an excellent time of 2:15.59 in the men's 2000 meters breaststroke here Friday only 23 hundredths slower than his own national record and 48 hundredths of Englishman David Wilkie's world record.

Julpa's time gave him victory for the second year running in his specialty event at the Soviet Winter Championships in the 50 meter pool here.

He finished well clear of runner-up Dmitri Kouzmine, also of the Soviet Union, who clocked 2:19.91. The European 1000 meter breaststroke champion, compatriot Yuri Kris, could only finish seventh-one from last in 2:22.13.

Alexandre Tchayev won an expected victory in the men's 2000 meter freestyle in a time of 1:51.81, but not without a battle throughout the race with fellow-Soviet Sergei Smiragin, who, though placed in an outside lane, clocked the second best time of 1:51.93.

The final of the women's 200 meter breaststroke saw a win by another Soviet swimmer, Svetlana Alimibaeva in 2:32.43, who got the better of European championships silver medalist Larissa Belokon (2:32.7).

Soviet domination did not extend to the women's 100 meter butterfly, in which the first three places were taken by East Germany's Katlen Nord (1:02.35), Sweden's Amir Axraksinen (1:03.19) and West Germany's Doris Vihke (1:03.23).

After a day of sensational golf

Trevino, Shearer share lead

MELBOURNE, Feb. 13 (AP) — Any one of seven players — and perhaps even nine — could be standing on the winners' dais at Metropolitan here late Sunday to receive the \$18,000 winners' cheque for the Victorian Golf Open.

This was the position after a day of sensational golf Saturday when the lead alternated between four players in dramatic fashion and still remains undecided. American celebrity player Lee Trevino (73) and local idol Bob Shearer (71) will hit-off for the final round as joint leaders, five under the card on 211.

Trevino's earlier rounds were 70, 68 and Shearer 69, 71. Breathing right down their necks is a talented group who have already bettered par figures and are right in the running to overhaul the present pace-setters. While Trevino and Shearer just have the edge on the others it could be left to a player like Queensland's Greg Norman to cut loose over the final 18 holes and tip everyone.

Trevino, and Canadian Jerry Anderson, young Melbourne professional Michael Clayton and title holder Bill Dunk all held pride of place at the head of the field at some stage. But in the final wrap-up it was Dunk who was the big loser on the day and he needs almost a superhuman effort Sunday to go anywhere near salvaging his title.

Powers shoots day's best

HONOLULU, Feb. 13 (Agencies) — American Greg Powers shot the day's best score, a six-under par 66, to share the second round lead with Andy North in the \$350,000 Hawaiian Open Golf Tournament here Friday.

Powers was at home on the sudden, 6,881 yard Waialae Country course. Thursday's play was interrupted by heavy rain. North, shot a second successive 69, including two eagles to join powers at the head of the field, and one stroke back was Tom Watson, who hit six birdies on the way to his second round 69.

Two other golfers — Scott Simpson and Bobby Clampett — are also on 139, with no less than nine men crowded on 140. These include Nick Faldo of Britain, who shot an excellent five under par 67 to go with his opening 73.

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As Second Division teams score upsets in F.A. Cup

Liverpool, Ipswich tumble out

LONDON, Feb. 13 (R) — The English Football Association (F.A.) Cup has a history of providing shock results. But Saturday's stunning defeats of Liverpool and Ipswich by Second Division opponents stands comparison with anything in the past 101 years of the competition.

European champions Liverpool, unbeaten away from home since September, crashed 2-0 at Chelsea, while Ipswich suffered a humiliating 2-1 defeat at Shrewsbury, currently languishing in 17th place in Division Two.

Liverpool, so dominant in recent weeks, were always struggling falling behind to an eighth minute goal from Chelsea winger Peter Rhoades-Brown. Their misery was complete when Colin Lee added the second six minutes from time.

Ipswich, who have been in faltering form this season due to a cruel run of injuries, were stunned by early goals from Steve Cross and Jake King in the 14th and 23rd minutes. South African Mick D'Avray pulled one back near the end but it came too late to save Ipswich from a depressing journey home.

Only three First Division sides survived to reach the last eight. They were holders Tottenham, who beat Aston Villa 1-0, West Bromwich 1-0 winners over Norwich, and Coventry who crushed Third Division Oxford 4-0.

In contrast, five Second Division clubs will go into Monday's sixth round draw. Shrewsbury and Chelsea will be joined by Leicester, Queen's Park Rangers and either Crystal Palace or Orient, who drew 0-0.

Leicester, conquerers of first Division leaders Southampton in the last round, put paid to the hopes fellow-second division giant-killers Watford with a 2-0 victory. Watford had previously beaten Manchester United and West Ham.

Liverpool, harboring ambitions of a unique haul of the major honors — League Title, FA Cup and European Cup — have good reason to call Chelsea their 'jinx' team because four years ago, an equally impressive side was crushed 4-2 in a third round tie.

Tottenham, who meet Liverpool in the League Cup final in March, stayed on course for a second Wembley appearance with a hard-fought win over Villa. Marc Falco was their goal-hero, bulleting home a header in the 34th minute.

There was further bad news for both Liverpool and Ipswich in the league when their main championship rivals all grabbed three points. Leaders Southampton swept past once-mighty Nottingham Forest 2-0 with goals from England captain Kevin Keegan, his 21st of the season, and former international striker Mike Channon.

Southampton now have 47 points, two more than Manchester United who won 1-0 at Wolverhampton with a goal from one million sterling (\$1.98 million) striker Garry Birtles.

The other Manchester Club, City, jumped above Liverpool into third place with an impressive 4-0 home win over Brighton. City scored through Trevor Francis, Kevin Reeves, Bobby McDonald and an own goal by Brighton fullback Gary Stevens.

Arsenal continue to find goals hard to come by but they kept in touch with the leaders with a 1-0 win over visiting Notts County. Teenager Raphael Meade broke the deadlock in the 86th minute. Arsenal's 21st goal in 23 league matches.

Aberdeen striker John Hewitt continued his remarkable goal scoring run in the Scottish Cup with a brilliant match-winner against champions Celtic in the fourth round. Hewitt, who scored the winner after just nine seconds against Motherwell in the last round, latched on to a loose ball in the Celtic penalty area in the fourth minute and, with his back to goal, hooked a blistering drive high into the net.

Cup-holders Rangers enjoyed an uncomfortable opening 45 minutes against first division dumbarton. But after a goalless first-half, Rangers were in rampant form after the interval and ran out 4-0 winners with two goals from Sandy Jardine and one apiece from Colin McAdam and Derek Johnstone.

Dundee United and Hibernian, fourth and fifth in the league, were equally well matched in a thrilling cup tie. United led 1-0 at the interval, through John Holt, but the visitors fought back to force a replay when Gordon Rae equalized late on.

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Soccer results

English F.A. Cup (5th round)					
Chelsea	2	Liverpool	0	Lincoln	0
Coventry	4	Oxford	0	Southend	0
Crystal Palace	0	Orient	0	Cheshfield	1
Leicester	2	Watford	0	Swindon	1
Q.P. Rangers	3	Grimsby	1	Walsall	0
Shrewsbury	2	Ipswich	1		
Tottenham	1	Aston Villa	0		
West Bromwich	1	Norwich	0		

Division One					
Arsenal	1	Notts County	0	Blackpool	2
Everton	0	Sheff Wed	1	Bournemouth	1
Manchester City	4	Brighton	0	Bury	1
Middlesbrough	1	Swansea	1	Hartlepool	2
Southampton	2	Nottingham Forest	0	Peterborough	3
West Ham	2	Birmingham	2	Port Vale	0
Wolverhampton	0	Manchester United	1	Sheff United	2

Division Two					
Derby	1	Charlton	1	Aberdeen	0
Newcastle	2	Cardiff	1	Clydebank	2
Rotherham	1	Cambridge	1	Dundee United	1
Wrexham	0	Sheff Wed	1	Hibernian	1
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				Queens Park	0
				Rangers	4

11 players 'suspended'

Argentine row heats up

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina, Feb. 13 (AP) — The River Plate soccer club Friday provisionally suspended 11 rebellious players.

The suspension affects six members of the world champion Argentine national team, but it remained unclear if the club's punitive action would prevent the six from playing in the coming World Cup in Spain.

The eleven players who refused to take the field last Wednesday in a game against Penarol of neighboring Uruguay were provisionally suspended until Monday. He said the club's board of directors would meet in a special session that day to determine the definitive sanction against the players. The club's president, Rafael Aragon Cabrera, has said he would try to insure that the punishment be "exemplary."

The national team players suspended by River Plate were: team captain Daniel Pastorella, 1978 World Cup hero Mario Kempes, goalie Ubaldo Fillol, Americo Gallego, Julio Olarticochea and Ramon Diaz.

The club had received hundreds of telegrams from fans supporting strong sanctions against the players. The eleven refused to play Penarol after rejecting the club's offer of \$800 each for winning, 400 for a draw and 200 if they lost. The players had demanded \$1,000 each regardless of the outcome.

A report by the Noticias, Argentina's news agency, that the 14 river plate players, including substitutes and injured, who were not in the lineup last Wednesday had made common cause with the suspended eleven was not confirmed. The subs had been notified of practice Saturday, and those who do not show up will be suspended.

River has three other players on the national team. They are: Cesar Tarantini, Enzo Bulleri and Jorge Gordillo. The players issued a communique asking River Plate to accept the mediation of the Argentine Soccer Players' Association in the dispute. The players said they hoped to reach "a cordial, friendly and just solution... keeping in mind the proximity of the World Championship in which we intend to help defend the title so proudly won."

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Sri Lanka, recently admitted as a full member in the International Cricket Conference, gave the tourists a fright before succumbing, England, put in to bat, began brightly but a late order slump saw the visitors finish at 211 in 45 overs. The Sri Lankans, who had proved their mettle in the World Cup series, failed to capitalize on the bright start and was five runs behind the target after utilizing the allotted overs.

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In one-day match

Gooch, Botham shine in England's victory

COLOMBO, Feb. 13 (AFP) — The touring England cricketers, after losing both the one-day and the Test series in India, began its Sri Lanka tour on a bright note when it won one-up in the one-day International series with a narrow five-run victory Saturday here.

Sri Lanka, recently admitted as a full member in the International Cricket Conference, gave the tourists a fright before succumbing, England, put in to bat, began brightly but a late order slump saw the visitors finish at 211 in 45 overs. The Sri Lankans, who had proved their mettle in the World Cup series, failed to capitalize on the bright start and was five runs behind the target after utilizing the allotted overs.

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Standings

Division One	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Southampton	25	14	5	6	45	32	47
Manchester United	24	13	6	5	38	19	45
Manchester City	23	12	6	7	40	28	42
Arsenal	23	12	5	6	38	27	40
Swansea	24	12	4	8	35	24	40
Liverpool	22	11	6	5	40	40	39
Ipswich	20	12	2	6	36	30	38
Brighton	23	9	10	29	20	37	37
Tottenham	20	11	3	6	34	21	36
Everton	25	9	8	8	34	31	35
Nott Forest	23	9	6	8	26	30	33
West Ham	2	7	10	6	40	33	31
Stoke	25	8	5	12	28	34	29
West Bromwich	30	7	6	7	26	23	27
Aston Villa	24	6	8	10	26	32	26
Notts County	23	7	5	11	30	38	26
Coventry	24	6	6	12	34	40	24
Leeds	21	6	6	9	20	33	24
Birmingham	22	4	9	9	33	37	21
Wolverhampton	24	9	4	15	15	40	19

Italy plays cautious despite Poland's defeat

ROME, Feb. 13 (R) — Italian soccer manager Enzo Bearzot won't be reading too much into Poland's 2-1 defeat at the hands of Italian Third Division club Modena Thursday.

The cautious Bearzot, whose team play Poland in the opening Group One match of the World Soccer Cup finals on June 14, commented: "Just remember this is the same Poland that outlasted Argentina in Buenos Aires three or four months ago. We had better not allow ourselves any illusions, believe me."

With the knowledgeable Bearzot in this frame of mind, the Polish debacle should not raise too much hope in Peru and Cameroon, whose teams will also compete in Group One. Poland showed in the unexpected defeat by Modena that they badly needed match practice to rebuild morale and sharpen their skills.

Team manager Antoni Piechniczek, while offering no excuses, at least suggested a reason for the debacle. "We played badly. But our championship ended on Nov. 28, since when the players have hardly touched a ball," he said.

Piechniczek might have added that since then Poland has had a lot to think about beyond soccer. The three-game Italian tour is the squad's first trip outside Poland since last December's declaration of martial law. "Politics and football are two separate things," a team spokesman said earlier this week. "The fact that this is their first trip away since martial law is not relevant."

But some Italian commentators suggested that martial law and its harsh restraints on normal living could well have had a psychological effect on the players. The leading Italian sports daily *Gazzetta dello Sport* said that team captain Zbigniew Boniek had "spent more time on the telephone than on the pitch" since the Polish squad arrived last Monday for warm-up games against Italian clubs. But Boniek, speaking to reporters, was philosophical about martial law. "There's order at home and you can sleep safely. Of course there are difficulties, but maybe they will make life easier tomorrow," he said.

French Rose snatches exciting win

JEDDAH, Feb. 13 — For the second week running Dunes-2 lost its match by the smallest possible of one IMP giving French Rose its second victory in two matches in the Jeddah Bridge League.

New teams Sangmed and ADS had a sea-saw match with ADS well up at half-time. But ADS lost 15 IMPs on a bidding misunderstanding and finally went down 12-8. Gray-Mackenzie failed to repeat last week's surprise win over British Steel, going down 4-16 to Irregulars.

Both Pak 4 teams won 16-4 against SEA-1 and Sharbatli, while CIB and Saudia Blues both had narrow wins over KALA/Green and Mobil at 11-9 respectively. The KALA/White vs British Steel match was postponed and IAL and Dunes-1 had byes.

Next week's 'B' league has unbeaten teams Dunes-1 and Saudia Blues playing in a match which may prove decisive in final league placings. The 'A' league is still wide open with almost every team in with a chance of finishing eventual team league winners.

How they stand

France's Marie-Cecile Gros-Gaudenier, fifth Saturday with 79 points to Flanders' 84. World Downhill champion Gerry Sorensen of Canada, who was only eighth Saturday has 71 points and to win the trophy now would need a victory Sunday and to depend on poor performances from both Flanders and Gros-Gaudenier. Second here was another American Cindy Nelson in 1:36.80 with Switzerland's Maria Walliser third in 1:36.94.

This Downhill was a tale of woe for many. In addition to the disappointment to Sorensen and the Canadians it saw the end of the dream of Switzerland's Doris De Agostini of occupying the vacant Downhill throne left by her compatriot Marie Therse Nadig. She pulled up after 40 seconds of the run.

For West German Irene Epple, who led the Downhill standings on 69 points before the race, Saturday was a complete disaster. She lost all her style and rhythm and finished a lowly 31st. 2.64 seconds behind Flanders.

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Podborski bags 3rd downhill

GARMISH-PARTENKIRCHEN, Feb. 13 (AFP) — Canada's Steve Podborski, who failed badly at the World Championships, came back with a vengeance Saturday to win his third men's Downhill of the season in the World Alpine Skiing Cup.

He claimed his victory in 1:50.52 ahead of Switzerland's Conradin Cathomen, Downhill silver medalist at the World Championships, in 1:50.81 and World Downhill champion Harti Weirather of Austria in third place in 1:50.94.

Podborski's win lengthens his lead at the top of the World Cup Downhill standings with 107 points to last year's winner Weirather's 85. Saturday's result though does nothing to alter the overall World Cup standings with American Phil Mahre still in the lead with 282 points to Sweden's Ingemar Stenmark's 204.

Podborski said afterwards, "I am very happy" he had done everything right. Cathomen said he was extremely pleased with his second place. "Perhaps I will finally manage to win a Downhill during the American tour," he said. Weirather said he made too many mistakes to repeat his success at Schladming.

Meanwhile, American Holly Beth Flanders, 24, triumphed in the second to last Women's Downhill Saturday winning in 1:36.52 to take the lead in the World Alpine

skiing. England, put in to bat, began brightly but a late order slump saw the visitors finish at 211 in 45 overs. The Sri Lankans, who had proved their mettle in the World Cup series, failed to capitalize on the bright start and was five runs behind the target after utilizing the allotted overs.

In Milrose Games Decker corners glory

NEW YORK, Feb. 13 (AFP) — Two world best times and a host of classy performances delighted a 18,300 crowd at the annual Milrose Games in Madison Square Garden here Friday.

The star of the indoors meeting was 23-year-old Californian Mary Decker who clocked 4:21.47 for a new women's world one mile best, beating her own 4:24.61 set in Los Angeles last month.

Decker, who married Marathon runner Ron Tabb last September led the race from the start and never looked like being headed. The second world best time was jointly achieved by two Americans, Candy Young and Stephanie Hightower in the women's 60 yards hurdles.

They were both timed at 7.38, 00.09 secs faster than the previous world best, which

again they had jointly held. Elsewhere there were expected wins for Stanley Floyd in the 60 yards sprint (6.10), Renaldo Nehemiah in the 60 yards hurdles (6.84) and Carl Lewis in the men's long jump (8.32 m).

Top American Miller Steve Scott won a closely contested one mile in 3:55.3, ahead of the improving Tom Bryers (3:55.41) and New Zealand's former Olympic champion John Walker (3:55.62).

The 5,000 meters saw the upset win of American Doug Padilani 13:20.55 clear of two Britons, Nick Rose (13:21.27) and Geoff Smith (13:22.17), with Cuban-born Marathon King Alberto Salazar fourth in 13:25.16.

Other winners were James Robinson of the U.S. in the 800 meters (1:47.51), Bert Cameron of Jamaica in the 400 meter (47.20) and Earl Bell of the U.S. in the pole vault (5.65).

To meet Pakistan in final Aussies swamp England

SINGAPORE, Feb. 13 (AFP) — Defending champions Australia will take on top seeded Pakistan in the final here Sunday of the second World junior Squash Team Championships.

In the semifinals Saturday Pakistan scored an easy 3-0 win over New Zealand while Australia had a slightly tougher match against England to win by a similar 3-0 margin.

Australian junior champion Chris Dittmar won in three games against Christy Willstrop, but his two teammates, Tristan Nancarrow and Grantley Pinnington conceded a game each.

Pakistan won all its three matches straight. Pakistan finished at the top of pool with New

Zealand in second place followed by Ireland and Scotland. Australia were the top team in the other followed by England, Sweden and Wales.

In other matches, Ireland defeated Scotland 2-1 and Sweden defeated Wales 3-0. The second-placed teams in each group will meet each other for the third and fourth placings with the same pattern for the fifth to eighth places.

Hosts Singapore salvaged some measure of pride when its team secured a 2-1 verdict over Canada in the battle for the minor placings, while Malaysia beat Hong Kong also by an identical 2-1 margin in a bid to finish high in the ninth to 13th placings.

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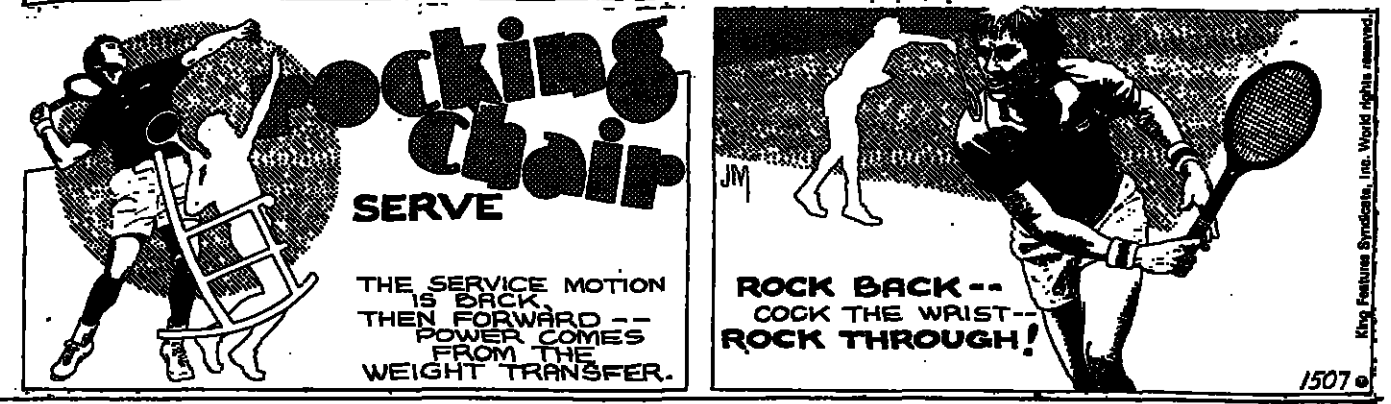
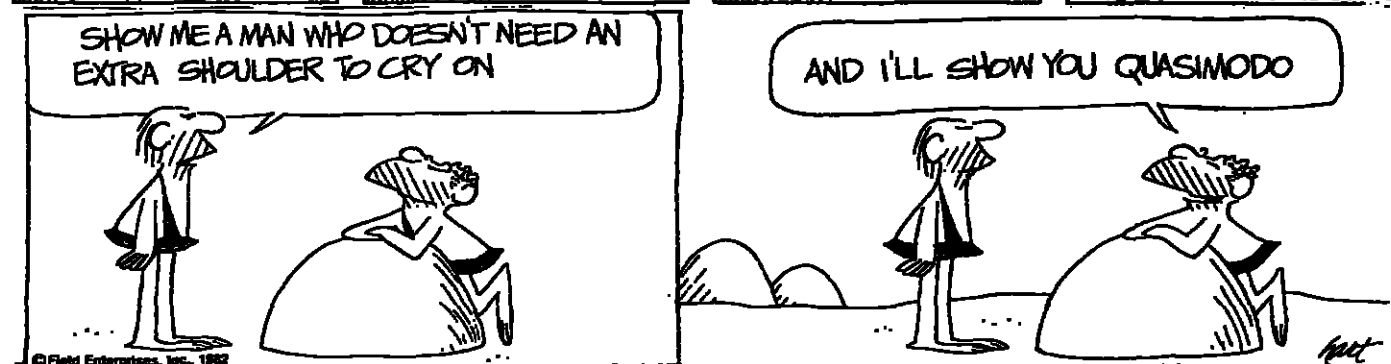
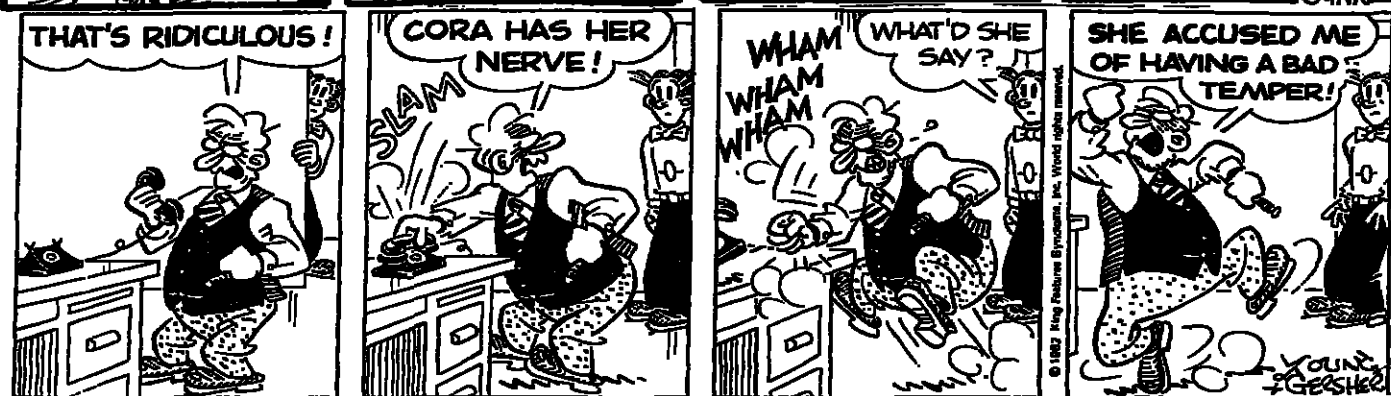
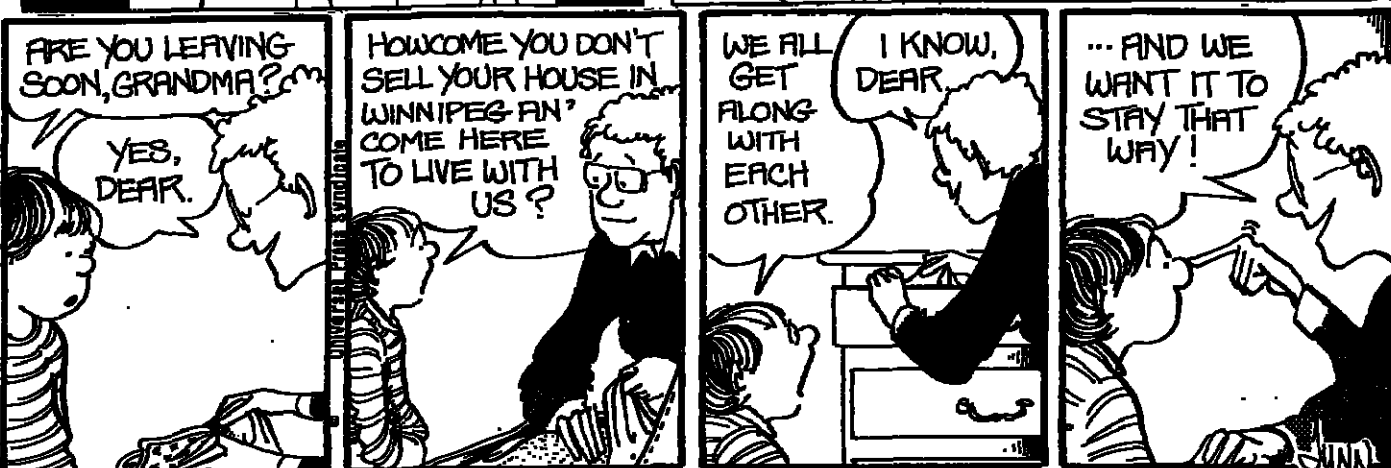
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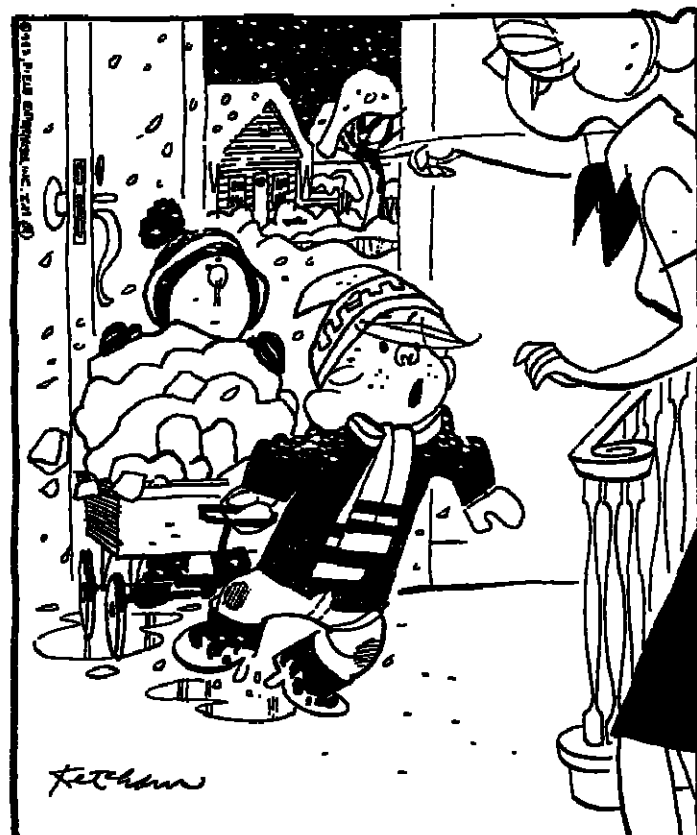
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5:15 Cartoons	4:00 Quran	5:00 Daily Arabic Series
6:30 Traffic Program	4:15 Religious Talk	6:00 Local News
7:15 Islamic Series	4:30 Cartoons	6:15 From Roundup
7:45 English News	5:00 Children's Series	6:20 Here's Lucy
8:00 TV Magazine	5:30 Local Children's Program	7:00 Agricultural Program
9:00 Arabic News	6:00 Health Program	7:30 Daily Arabic Series
Program Preview	6:30 Sports Magazine	8:30 Arabic News
Daily Series	7:30 Local News	9:00 Youth and Sports
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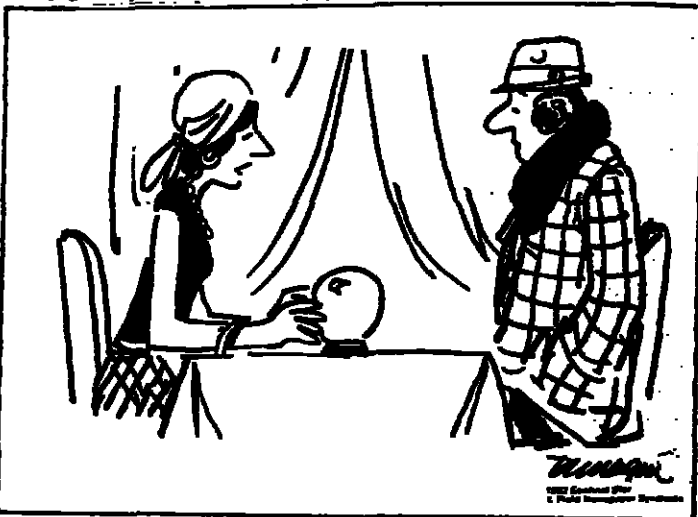
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CANCER (June 21 to July 22)

Sports, hobbies and other recreational pursuits bring joy. Relations with loved ones and children improve. Home life is happy.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22)

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A desire for privacy shouldn't be ignored. Catch up on rest and save time for private talks and pursuits. Get to know yourself.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)

Social life is on the upswing. You'll be introduced to important people now. Career developments are a possible fringe benefit.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)

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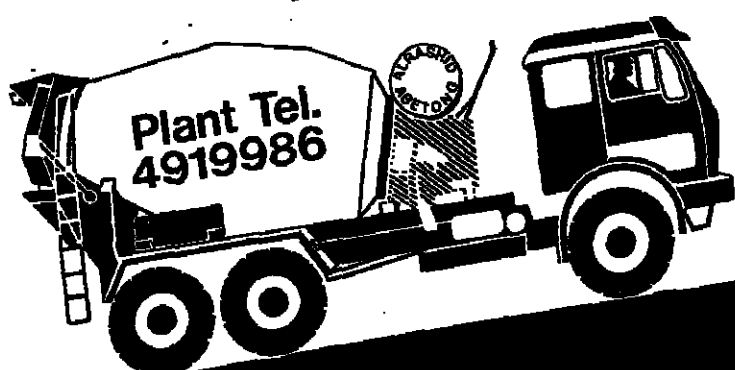
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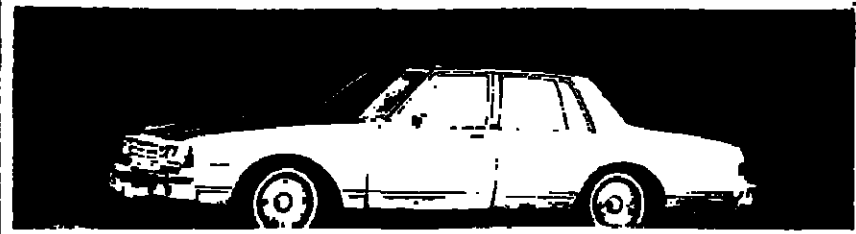
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As martial law enters third month

Warsaw security tightened

WARSAW, Feb. 13 (AP) — Poland's martial law authorities beefed up security in this capital city and in the former Solidarity union headquarters town of Gdansk, an apparent warning against any possible martial law protests Saturday.

Police checked drivers' identity cards in Warsaw and appeared in greater numbers than usual on the streets, tightening security following two consecutive displays of force by hundreds of police trucks here Thursday and Friday.

Reliable travelers' reports from the Baltic port of Gdansk said police had thrown a tight ring of trucks and water cannons around the monument to workers outside the Lenin shipyards and at train stations Friday and that pedestrians' identity cards were checked.

Sources in the seaport, site of August 1980 food price strikes that led to the formation of the Solidarity union — since suspended by the December martial law decree — said there were rumors of possible protests Saturday.

The tightened security here and elsewhere came as martial law entered its third month Saturday along with a military council of national redemption to run the country. There have been persistent rumors that people would buy copies of the Communist Party daily *Trybuna Ludu* and strew them about the party headquarters Saturday night.

Meanwhile, church officials said that Archbishop Jozef Glemp may deliver a speech Sunday, but had not yet decided. Church

Four parties to defend Spain regime

MADRID, Feb. 13 (AFP) — Spain's Communist and conservatives will briefly close ranks next week to ward off possible attempts to destabilize the country as the trial of last February's failed putsch leaders gets under way.

Fearing attempts to upset the five-year-old democracy when the trial of the abortive military-led putsch last Feb. 23 begins next Friday, the four major Spanish political parties Saturday indicated they would rally to the defense of the regime installed after Gen. Francisco Franco's death in 1975.

A joint communique signed by the ruling Center Democratic Party (UCD), the conservative Popular Alliance (AP), the Socialist Workers' Party (PSOE) and the Communist Party (PCE) will be issued Wednesday, they said. The statement will express the parties' firm resolve to provide a joint response to any destabilization moves.

These could stem from both right-wing military extremists and leftist separatist Basque guerrillas. The 1981 February putschists, led by a lieutenant-colonel from the Spanish Civil Guard Corps, urged for a return to military rule as democracy had failed, they said, notably in wiping out the armed Basque separatist movement.

The Spanish political parties indicated that 13 parliamentarians, all former lawyers, representing the four parties will attend the trial.

Antonio Pedrol, head of Spain's Barristers' Counsel, has also requested that the lawyers defending the 33 accused on trial adopt a "respectful" attitude. All "possible tension" must be avoided, Pedrol said.

The defense lawyers have promised to abstain from making any public statements during the course of the trial, expected to last several weeks. A total of 30 defendants have already been transferred to the army's geographical service buildings, 10 kms from Madrid, where the trial is to be held. The defendants were able to mix freely and ate their meals together, sources said.

Former Defense Minister Austin Rodriguez Sahagun Friday appealed for the trial "not to become a trial against democracy". But the head of the Civil Guard, Gen. Jose Aramburu Topete, said an atmosphere of "peace" currently reigned inside the army, where the troops were not overconcerned with the trial. "I think justice will triumph", he said.

Thais strengthen border defenses

BANGKOK, Feb. 13 (AFP) — Thailand has beefed up its defenses along its eastern border amid stepped-up fighting between Vietnamese-led Cambodian government forces and Khmer Rouge guerrillas in the extreme west of Cambodia, frontline reports said Saturday.

According to the reports, fresh troops and armored cars have been sent to reinforce a 50-kilometers stretch of the border which is the scene of the fighting.

The reports said a large quantity of shells had fallen inside Thailand during fierce battles Friday night and early Saturday morning between Vietnamese-led forces and Khmer Rouge guerrillas. Thousands of Khmer Rouge dependents, mainly women and children, have fled to Thailand since the latest flare-up began Thursday, the reports added.

sources also said the authorities had rejected two proposals to allow Solidarity union chief Lech Walesa to attend the christening of his seventh daughter, born Jan. 27, while he is being held in isolation somewhere near here.

The sources said the church had proposed that Walesa's wife bring the child to Warsaw, or the authorities could release Walesa for a trip to Gdansk to attend the christening and then return to sequestration. Walesa, in messages, has appealed to members of the now-suspended union to avoid protests that would jeopardize any future reorganization.

Government, party and media officials in Gdansk have apparently also taken steps to warn youths and workers against joining any sort of protests there, according to reports reaching Warsaw.

The current security buildup also appears to be a clear warning against conducting protests of any kind, which some officials have said could jeopardize lifting martial law restrictions by the end of this month.

The Polish news agency PAP, in a dispatch from Lublin that it later killed, indicated there had been some sort of disturbance there and that the official response had been a severe tightening of restrictions.

There was no way to check the report, nor could it be determined why the story had been killed shortly after being sent. Some reporters sent it, however, on Western agency circuits.

Reliable sources arriving here from Gdansk said police foot patrols Friday ringed

the monument to workers, which stands directly outside the shipyard. They said that in other areas of the city, police patrols stationed every 20 to 30 meters checked documents.

The presence of numerous police and police vehicles such as tanks, armored cars and trucks was in stark contrast to the almost normal situation viewed by foreign journalists who visited the Baltic port city Tuesday.

Gdansk was the site of riots in the early days of martial law which left one person dead and a renewed outbreak of violence Jan. 30 when a mob tried to burn the party headquarters and fought police with stones and gasoline bombs.

Meanwhile, a military court in Warsaw Saturday sentenced Bogdan Walewski, a former employee of the Polish Foreign Ministry, to 25 years in jail on charges of spying for the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency, PAP reported.

In his plea Friday, the prosecutor, Col. Jerzefogilski, had called for the death sentence. PAP said the court, presided over by Col. Henryk Kwasy, also meted out additional punishment in the form of a ten-year loss of the defendant's civil rights and confiscation of his property.

No details of the verdict were disclosed in the official report. But PAP said it can be appealed. PAP added the trial "fully confirmed the charges of spying and many-sided activities to the detriment of the Polish People's Republic and her allies."

In talks with Haig

Romania deplores sanctions

BUCHAREST, Romania, Feb. 13 (AP) — U.S. Secretary of State Alexander M. Haig said Saturday Romanian President Nicolae Ceausescu thinks the United States is making a mistake by imposing economic sanctions on Poland. He also said the Romanian president sees some justification for the martial law crackdown.

But Haig said Ceausescu did not raise objections to U.S. sanctions against the Soviet Union, saying the Romanian president didn't discuss them at all.

Haig said he met for 4½ hours with Ceausescu for discussions he said were "cordial and with the same degree of frankness that has characterized discussions between our two governments over a decade." But Haig said "tactical differences" emerged on how best to deal with the Dec. 13 martial law crackdown in Poland.

He said Ceausescu felt "sanctions against the Polish government might be counterproductive in the current environment." He also said Ceausescu "sees greater justification than we would see from the U.S. point of view" on the imposition of martial law itself.

Haig told a news conference prior to his departure from Bucharest that there was very little discussion of the Soviet involvement in

events in Poland. The Reagan administration accuses Moscow of being responsible for the military crackdown.

"It was a one-sided discussion in which I laid out very clearly the facts the United States has on Soviet involvement," Haig said. But he indicated Ceausescu did not respond to his presentation. Although Romania is a member of the Warsaw Pact, Ceausescu pursues a foreign policy that is often independent of Moscow's.

Haig said he gave Ceausescu a letter from President Ronald Reagan that Reagan had sent in response to a letter Ceausescu had written to him. Haig said the letters "dealt with the current situation in Poland," but wouldn't elaborate further.

While there was disagreement over sanctions, Haig said there was "a general convergence of view on the need for normalization, immediate normalization, of the situation in Poland, to include lifting of martial law and the state of siege."

He also said at another point that the disagreement on sanctions was "just a minor difference." But if Haig had come here seeking Romania's support for U.S. policies in the Polish crisis, he certainly didn't achieve his objective.

16 crewmen saved from Greek ship

FALMOUTH, England, Feb. 13 (Agencies) — (AP) — A Dutch helicopter Saturday pulled 16 crewmen to safety from the sheered hull of a Greek tanker adrift for more than 33 hours in the storm-tossed Atlantic north of the Azores, the British Coast Guard said. One sailor was found dead aboard a life raft, and 15 others were missing, said Doug Rundle, senior watch officer at the Falmouth Coast Guard station.

All known survivors were pulled from the badly listing stern of the ship and ferried to a Dutch frigate 20 miles (32 kms) away, the Coast Guard said. It was first believed one of those lifted from the tanker's stern was injured, but Rundle said it was later determined that the crewmen were pulled dead from a life raft. The dead man was thought to have been among three sailors who abandoned the ship Saturday, Rundle said.

A search of 17 life rafts in the area turned up no sign of the other two crewmen. Twelve others were presumed dead after their lifeboat capsized Friday said a coast station officer.

The 12,487-ton tanker broke in two early Friday in a raging storm 840 miles (1351 kms) west of Land's End, the southwest tip of England. Thirteen other crewmen who tried to escape early Friday disappeared when 50-foot (15 m) waves smashed their lifeboat. Another man was washed overboard and presumed drowned.

"We haven't given up hope. There is always a chance some of them might have reached the rafts," the spokesman said. The tanker, *Victory*, was bound for Liverpool, England, from Florida with a cargo of molasses when it broke up. The spokesman said the crew list was not known but all 32 were thought to be Greek.

Good Morning

By Jihad Al-Khazen

"The cobra standing at my head shall spit its flames in your face and your head shall roll at my feet. This is the curse, the everlasting revenge which shall overtake anyone who disturbs my body in its grave."

This is an unofficial rendering of the inscription found on the sarcophagus of the boy Pharaoh Tut Ankh Amoon.

"Not again!" you groan? Oh, yes, dear reader, again and again. For the plot thickens, and the invisible hand strikes once more across the centuries. The curse of the Pharaohs which we recently mentioned, when an American magazine explained such seemingly disparate events as Sadat's death, the San Francisco earthquake, and the Watergate disaster by reference to the ancient curse, which took care of almost everyone who had to do with the organization of the "Tut Exhibition."

At that time many of you thought the idea unlikely, and I must confess that I too was a bit skeptical. But that was before I knew the story was by no means over, with a new victim coming to the fore, and a court claim against the organizers of the

exhibition made. Soon we might have a court ruling officially recognizing the power of the ancient curse.

The claimant is a San Francisco policeman who had to stand guard on the Boy Pharaoh's death mask, who says he was hail and hearty up to the minute he went to stand duty. But it took only a short time of it for him to keel over in a heart attack. There's no reason for it, he argues, but the Pharaoh's curse.

His lawyer told the court it would be unfair to dismiss the claim out of hand, as he had read 40 books on the subject, each of them chock a block with mysterious and terrible events which can only be explained through the curse. So why not see reason and give his client the money.

But the lawyer is no fool. He has already prepared another line of defense in case the court orders his head be examined. This is a doctor's certificate saying that his client's heart attack was the result of "stress caused by guarding the exhibition." So the court might take this softer option and official recognition of the curse to the Pharaohs remains withdrawn.

Translated from Ashraf Al-Awsat

In Salvador combat zone

U.S. defends armed advisers

AMMAN, Feb. 13 (Agencies) — Five U.S. military advisers shown on television in the United States carrying rifles in a combat zone of El Salvador were defended by U.S. Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger Saturday. He said their M-16 assault rifles were for personal protection although Pentagon rules say they can only carry side arms.

Weinberger, who was in Jordan at the end of a Middle East tour, spoke after President Ronald Reagan asked for a report on the men and their weapons. The five are among U.S. soldiers advising government forces fighting a civil war against leftist forces in the central

American state.

Weinberger told reporters: "I do not doubt they have been carrying personal protection weapons which are essential for anyone in many areas of the world." Reagan made a similar statement Friday and said it was understandable that the men should be armed. The incident is being investigated by the Pentagon and the State Department.

A Pentagon statement said the advisers, a warrant officer and four enlisted men, were not involved in combat or accompanying Salvadoran combat forces. The White House said the five men were training government troops to build pontoon bridges in an area where leftists were active.

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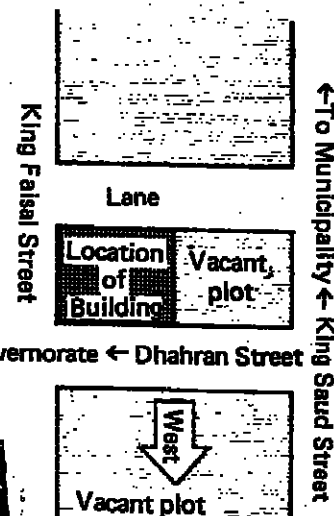
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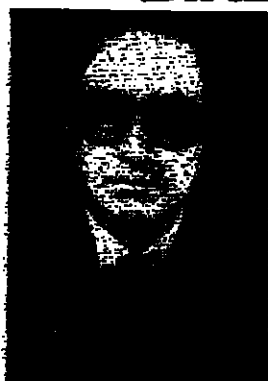
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